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PRESIDENT SPEAKS

The Obstacles They Have to Contend With

PRESIDENT TAFT'S ADDRESS

To Colored Citizens at Blanchard Hall, Los Angeles, Cal., October 16, 1911.

My Fellow Citizens:

No friend of the Negro race would ever minimize the obstacles against which you have to contend in building up yourselves individually, and in building up your race as a community in the United States. No one who deals with you truthfully would attempt to depreciate the difficulties or mental suffering that many of your race have to undergo in encountering cruel and unreasonable race prejudices, and no one either would do you any good who attempted to stir up in your minds that kind of a prejudice against those difficulties, against the prejudice, which would lead you to do something that your friends would regret. It is one of the facts that have to be overcome and one of the facts, which, when you have overcome them, will entitle you to the greater credit for the successful struggle that you have made.

I have taken a great interest in what is called the Negro problem, and I believe it is to find its solution in the widespread industrial education of the race, especially in that part of the country where the race is most numerous, through the Southern States; and while there is a strong feeling at the South that presents a difficulty, those who have studied the question and those who live in the South know that there is a large element of the white men in the South who are the real true friends of the people of the South, and those who are his enemies are not of the best people of the South and do not have the true patriotism and the desire to solve the question presented by the races in the proper way. I know that there are differences among you. I know that your greatest leader, Booker T. Washington, finds those who do not agree with his method of uplifting your race. Personally, I think Booker T. Washington one of the greatest men of this and the last century, white or black, and I think so because he has had the courage, while he loves your race—his race, and would not be other than that race—he has had the courage to tell you the truth, and to tell you the only way by which you can earn your place in the community and render it better and better and higher and higher. He has had the courage to tell you that it is work, attention, industry, that shall make you valuable to your community, that will cure the prejudices that you now have to struggle against, and that when you furnish a mercenary or a selfish motive to a white man, however low he may be to respect you and to ask for your labor to assist in building up the community, then prejudices disappear and his interest yields and you get your rights.

Now, my friends, I thank you for your kindly testimonial. I want you to know, whether you do know it or not, that there are those of the white people in this country, and they number millions, that sympathize deeply with you in the struggle that you have to undergo and realize that those sufferings are not to be done away with by eloquence, not to be done away with by expressions of sympathy, that they are real, hard burdens to carry, but it may help you to carry them to know that you have friends in the white race, that you have men who have a sense of responsibility for this Government and this people—this Government and this people that in times past brought you here against your will and have necessitated the conditions that now exist. Therefore, the United States is responsible for you and for your betterment, but that responsibility cannot, in the nature of things, reach to a point where it will save you and elevate you unless you shall struggle on with bravery and courage and self-restraint and a determination to win.

DEFEAT THE AMENDMENT.

Democrats of Maryland Trying to Steal It Through—Democratic Negroes Take Warning.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 25.

The defeat of the Digges disfranchising amendment was the theme for a number of ministers in local pulpits Sunday. Among those who urged the people to encompass the defeat of the amendment were Rev. Dr. Harvey Johnson, who declared that the Democrats were trying to sneak the measure through; Rev. W. A. C. Hughes, pastor of Sharp Street Memorial M. E. Church, and Rev. W. M. Alexander, president of the Maryland Suffrage League.

"I am a humble preacher of the Cross," said Dr. Hughes, "pointing men from hell to Heaven, and emphasizing all that is grand and noble in life. I am not a politician, but I have learned that the right to express myself in the government is the mightiest bulwark against slavery. My pulpit is not a politician's stump, but it is the oracle of God to instruct men along civil, social and spiritual lines of life."

"Your manhood demands your energy! Your family needs your vote! Jesus Christ demands your energy. Go into the hedges and highways and get in touch with your neighbor."

Awake every man to this situation. Let us rally to the interest of our State, our home and our children, then when our bodies lie still within the grave, our children shall call us blessed."

"The issue advocated by the leading white men of this State," said Dr. Alexander, "is a free exercise of the ballot by all qualified voters and a fair count of the ballots by the election officials. In two previous elections, when amendments were defeated, which if they had passed would have taken away the right to vote from us, our franchise was saved for us by the white men, who voted with us. Do not forget to put your mark against the Digges amendment, for if it passes it will be a long time before colored men in Maryland will have the privilege of voting."

Mass meetings are being held over the city and State this week under the auspices of the auxiliary committee to the Republican State Central Committee.

This committee is headed by Dr. Ernest Lyon, former Minister to Liberia, and is composed of 200 of the leading men of the State. Headquarters have been established at 414 W. Hoffman street, and nearly \$200 has been raised by the colored people of the city since last Friday. The committee purposes raising \$500, which is to be presented the Republican State Central Committee as an earnest effort of the committee's interest in the defeat of disfranchisement and the success of the Republican candidates.

Prominent on the committee are such men as City Councilman Harry S. Cummings, J. H. Murphy, editor of the Afro-American Ledger; Hugh E. Macbeth, editor of the Baltimore Times; Rev. A. L. Gaines, who is the treasurer; Rev. W. A. C. Hughes, secretary, and Dr. W. M. Alexander. The committee will be grateful for any subscriptions from those who are interested in the fight to save the ballot to the race in this State.

RALPH W. TYLER.

The Man With a Level Head—A Brilliant Writer and a Logical Reasoner.

There is no man in this country who is better acquainted with political events of the day than Mr. Ralph W. Tyler. To a representative of The Bee, it was remarked last Friday evening, October 20, by a man of letters, that Mr. Tyler is the brainiest and the most brilliant representative of color under this administration. His reputation as a journalist is well known throughout this country. He is a man in whom you can confide and one of the most honorable and upright. The administration could not have selected a better man in whom the colored Americans have greater confidence than in Mr. Tyler. He is an unassuming man, and one that never thinks that he is bigger than the position he holds. He is a good thinker as well as a sound reasoner. He has a quality which is not found in many public men, and that is unselfishness. He likes to see any man rise above the common level. He is a friend to his friend, but an inveterate enemy to his foes. He is no coward, but a man of nerve and determination. He is liberal to a fault, and has done more than any public man in office for the uplift of the down-trodden in this community. He believes in encouraging the youth, because he has more than one occasion offered prizes to competitors in educational lines. He believes in the advancement of the youth and the worthy. He has the confidence and the respect of the leading and most influential men in the United States. In Ohio his name is a household word, and the politicians know him to be a man to reckon with. He is an honor to the race and the office he holds. His reputation is above reproach.

JUSTICE JOHN MARSHALL HARLAN.

Resolutions Commending His Worth.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted commending the worth and value of Justice Harlan:

Whereas, in the death of Mr. Justice John Marshall Harlan, that great all-wise and unseemly hand has removed from our midst a Christian gentleman, an eminent jurist, and the highest type of American citizenship; who was also an earnest advocate of the respect for, and the upholding of the Constitution of our beloved country; an able defender of human rights; a conscientious, sympathetic friend of our race. In token of our deep appreciation of his interest in our behalf and his Christian sympathy in our advancement in all the walks of life tending to the highest citizenship; therefore be it

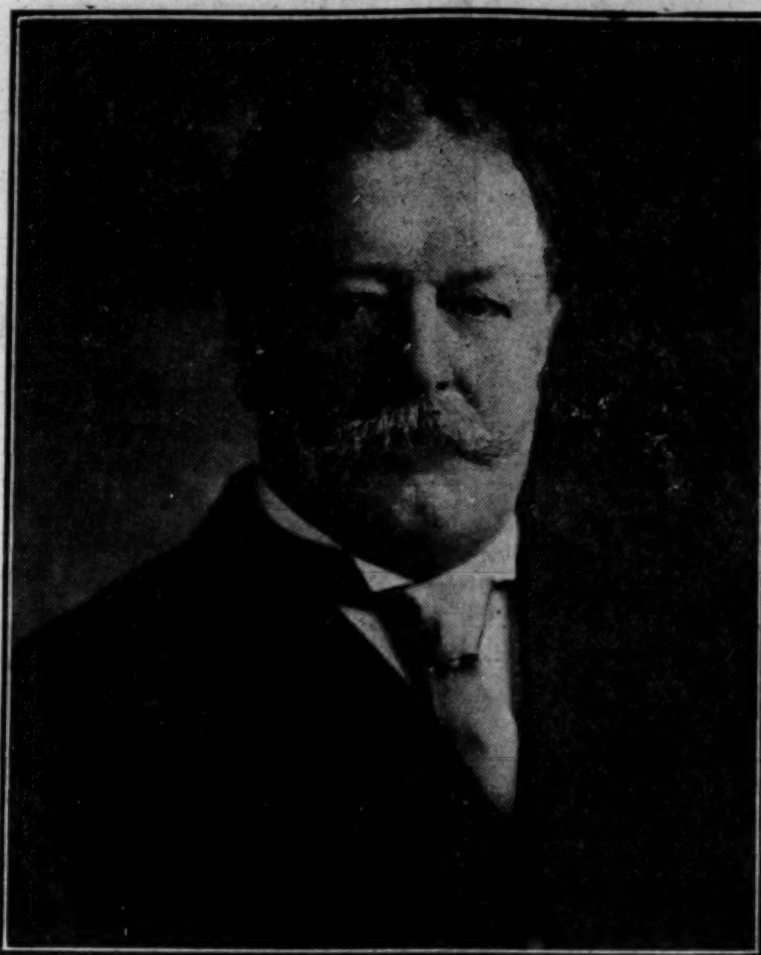
Resolved, That the Supreme Court has lost an able, fearless, and conscientious associate; the nation a distinguished citizen; the church a faithful worker, and our race a valued friend;

Resolved, That we express the sincere hope that his successor may be as true to the right and righteousness as he has been. Be it also

Resolved, That we, the pastor and members of the Shiloh Baptist Church, express to the family of the deceased our deepest sympathy in this sad hour, and commend them to Almighty God.

Done by order of the Church, the 15th day of October, 1911.
J. MILTON WALDRON, Pastor.
Committee—Wm. Henderson, Wm. H. Scott.

Read The Bee.



PRESIDENT WILLIAM H. TAFT.

NO COLOR LINE

MR. DONNELLY STRIKES BACK

Public Printer Says He Will Nip Attempt to Excite Race Prejudice.

"Colored persons work in the Government Printing Office side by side with other employees in harmony and with great efficiency. Any effort to precipitate the devilish stricture of race prejudice will be immediately dismissed and will not again be employed."

Thus did Public Printer Samuel B. Donnelly declare himself a few days ago in reply to criticisms of the Central Labor Union for his attitude in alleged discrimination against six union bricklayers who struck because one Negro was employed with them. Condemned as "an avowed enemy of unionism," and "recruited to every trick," the Central Labor Union last Monday night voted to spread broadcast resolutions denouncing the public printer.

"The incident which has been the cause of the resolutions attacking me was trifling and ordinarily would have attracted no attention," said Mr. Donnelly. "Since I took my position in the matter three other Negro bricklayers have been employed. They are all doing their work and will be retained. There are 400 Negro employees in the Government Printing Office. Negro bricklayers work side by side with white bricklayers in the Washington and other navy yards. I cannot see why, in the case of the work to be done at the Government Printing Office, the bricklayers should expect an exception to be made in their favor."

Mr. Donnelly declined to say whether he would be present at the next meeting of the Central Labor Union and personally answer the charges that have been made against him. Emmett L. Adams, one of the leaders of the fight against the Public Printer, said full publicity would be given the latter's "unfair actions," and that the present discrimination paved the way for additional alleged wrongs against organized labor.

NEGRO SOCIALISTS ORGANIZING.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 23.

It may not be generally known, but the socialist propaganda is spreading like wild fire. White men are laboring with Negroes of the South, endeavoring to teach them the fundamental policies of socialism. And not in vain, either, are they striving, for there are many converts, even among the most humble colored folks. The local chapter of colored socialists of Montgomery, Ala., is led by Mr. John Cummings, a fearless race man of humble mien. He is a man who speaks up for the rights of the whole people, and dreads nothing but cowardice. Mr. Cummings has found an able and energetic addition to his work in the person of W. C. Payne, who has been studying American politics for many years. Mr. Payne has, at heart, always been a believer in the simple life, and in the brotherly communion of the plain people, hence his final stand seems to be with the socialist party. He spoke to them on Sunday, October 22, on the subject: "Why paws the rich man's taxes?" Jones Hall was crowded, and Mr. Payne's address was impressive. He reviewed the school system of those sections where taxes of colored property owners was set apart for colored schools. He said among other things: "It is a plain fact that labor makes the wealth of any country, the hands that toil is the one which produces, and the hand which produces is the only one that pays the expenses of the government. Negroes need not own the land, the mills, the shops nor the stores in order to pay taxes, but merely to be the producers and the

THEIR FORTY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY.

The Greatest Event in the History of the Church.

The pastor and members of Shiloh Baptist Church are making large preparations for the celebration of the Forty-eighth anniversary of the church, beginning next Sunday, October 29, and continuing through to Friday, November 10.

Next Sunday will be Founders' Day. Rev. Dr. W. P. Lawrence, of Orange, N. J., will preach the sermon at 11 A. M. The surviving founders and other aged members of the church will be brought to Shiloh in carriages to the morning service and will be served with dinner at 2 o'clock by the ladies of the church. At 3:30 P. M. "Founders' and Aged Members' Hour" will be observed, at which time the surviving founders and other older members of the church will relate reminiscences and experiences as members of the church and will join in singing "Spirituals" and other old-time hymns.

At 7:45 P. M. there will be a sermon by Rev. Dr. Walter H. Brooks, and special music. The following churches and their pastors have agreed to be present and conduct services during the ten days' celebration, viz.: Rev. Dr. J. E. Willis and Vermont Avenue Baptist Church and choir on Monday, the 30th inst.; on Tuesday, the 31st, Rev. Dr. I. N. Ross and the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church and choir; Wednesday night, November 1, the various Christian Endeavor Societies of the city, in "An Echo Meeting;" Thursday, November 2, Rev. Dr. D. W. Hayes and the Mt. Zion M. E. Church and choir; Friday, November 3, Rev. Dr. W. J. Howard and Zion Baptist Church and choir; Sunday, November 5th will be Anniversary Day. The pastor, Rev. Dr. J. Milton Waldron, will preach the Anniversary Sermon at 11 A. M.

At 1:30 P. M. reports will be given from the various departments of the church by Messrs. Chas. P. Roy, Arthur E. Brown, Wm. H. Scott, John A. Miles, Wm. H. Henderson, A. D. Gilmore, and Jas. H. Payne, and Mesdames Mamie A. Jackson, Matilda Grady Harris, Alice Carroll, Pocahontas Donahoe and Miss Maria Morgan. At night the Berean Baptist Church and her pastor will unite with Shiloh in celebrating the Lord's Supper, and Rev. Dr. Rivers will preach the sermon.

November 6th will be known as First Baptist Church Night, Rev. E. E. Ricks, pastor, will preach the sermon, and his church and choir will attend in a body. Tuesday, November 7th will be Walker Memorial Baptist Church Night, Rev. Dr. E. B. Gordon and the church and choir will attend in a body. Wednesday, November 8th is Israel C. M. E. Church Night, and Rev. Dr. R. K. Harris will preach the sermon and his church and choir will be present. Thursday, November 9th is John Wesley M. E. Zion Church Night, Rev. C. C. Alleyne, pastor, will preach the sermon, and his church and choir will attend in a body—his choir having charge of the music.

A grand reunion of members with the Annual Supper will be held on Friday, November 10th, at which time the ladies of the church will serve their usual excellent annual supper at the small cost of twenty-five cents.

The church will be elaborately decorated, and everything possible will be done to make it pleasant and profitable for all who may attend these services.

Admission to all services will be free, and the public is cordially invited.

THE DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY.

Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church. Bishop Scott Opens the Anniversary Last Sunday.

The diamond anniversary of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced last Sunday morning with a special sermon at 11 o'clock A. M. by Bishop I. B. Scott, D. D., of Monrovia, Africa. At 7:45 P. M. Rev. Wm. R. A. Palmer, D. D., of Newark, N. J., preached. Throughout the entire week there were special services held, and will continue to November 20th. The program of exercises is most interesting, and from all indications these exercises will be the greatest in the history of the church. Rev. M. W. Clair is beyond all doubt one of the most popular and progressive and enterprising ministers who has ever been stationed at this church.

HON. CRANDALL MACKEY.

The Commonwealth's Attorney of Alexandria County, Virginia, is Hon. Crandall Mackey. He is a Democrat, but doesn't believe in disfranchising a citizen on account of his color. To the colored citizens of Alexandria County, Virginia, he has been extremely fair and liberal. In an address to the colored citizens of the county this week, he said, among other things, that he believed in fair play to every citizen regardless of his color. Some one informed Mr. Mackey that there was discrimination against the colored people at the Courthouse. Mr. Mackey's reply was: "You have the votes, why don't you defeat the sheriff. It is up to the colored voters to say whether the present sheriff will be re-elected or not. Mr. Mackey has rendered valuable services to the colored people in his county, and it is believed that every colored voter will stand by him."

PARAGRAPHIC NEWS

Important News Happenings of the Week

DEVOTED TO GENERAL INTEREST

(By Miss G. B. Maxfield.)

Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson, at her home in Charlotte, N. C., is preparing an article which will attempt to refute the characterization of General Jackson in Miss Mary Johnston's latest novel "The Long Roll."

Solon Menos, the newly appointed Haitian Minister to the United States, who succeeds Mr. Sannon in that capacity, has arrived. Mr. Menos has filled many important positions in his country. He has been Secretary of State, Secretary of Commerce, and Minister of Justice. He has also been president of the legislative society of Port au Prince, so he is well qualified for his new duties.

Dr. J. H. Westbrook, a well known colored physician in Denver, Colo., has been elected to membership in the Denver Chamber of Commerce. The membership of the Chamber of Commerce has become cosmopolitan as well as metropolitan. Dr. Westbrook will be accorded all privileges extended to members.

George W. Hayes, of Cincinnati, Ohio, celebrated his fortieth anniversary as a member in the United States Court there a few days ago. Mr. Hayes is a veteran of the civil war, and marched with Sherman to the sea. He is a native of Louisiana.

Four men accused of lynching Chas. P. Sellers, June 18, on a ranch near Valentine, Neb., have been sentenced to life imprisonment by Judge Westbrook.

The Italian authorities at Tripoli have issued a proclamation suppressing slavery. Tripoli was the only remaining port on the coast of Africa where slavery still prevailed, notwithstanding the efforts of Great Britain on the one side and France on the other, to prevent the traffic, it still existed.

Bishop C. S. Smith, of Detroit, Mich., of the A. M. E. Church, who was attending the Ecumenical Methodist Conference, was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Victoria University. It was the first time in the seventy-five years of the University that a colored man was so honored.

Approximately 150 claims for damages resulting from the Mexico revolt have been filed by Americans, with the State Department, for transmission to the Mexican Interior Court of Claims, to adjust all damages.

A showing that gratifies Postmaster General Hitchcock, Postmaster Merritt, and officials of the city postoffice generally, is that of the postal savings depository here. Within three weeks more than \$20,000 has been deposited by 542 patrons.

Chief Justice White, of the United States Supreme Court, acted as a good Samaritan by helping Harry Davison, a court page, to carry a large package of books and court documents. The Chief Justice is a great walker, and generally tramps along the avenue to court in the morning and back in the evening.

William F. Mattingly has deposited in the Public Library of this city three folio volumes, being a transcript of the correspondence of the original commissioners of this city, Thomas Johnson, Daniel Carroll and David Stewart, during the years of 1791 to 1794.

Disclosures of a systematic robbery of Wells-Fargo express offices in the division west of Salt Lake, especially in the California district, which, it is estimated, will entail a total loss of nearly \$50,000 to the express company. The package was forwarded from a bank in Los Angeles to Mojave, and disappeared in transit.

Ida Lewis, of Newport, R. I., keeper of the Limerock light for more than a half century, and famed the country over by many daring rescues, was found unconscious at her post of duty last week, suffering from apoplexy. She is 72 years old.

John Caldwell, who was sentenced in Hammond, Ind., to serve from two to twenty years in the State prison at Jefferson, Ind., is the first convict to have left unattended, paying his own railroad fare. He was convicted of conspiring to pad the pay rolls of the United States Steel Corporation.

Capt. Herbert Edward Greenstreet has a record of which any shipmaster might be proud. He is now on his eightieth world voyage around the world, and thus far without a mishap. Capt. Greenstreet has sailed or steamed altogether about 2,000,000 miles.

Eighteen bodies from the wreck of the Maine have been recovered, making a total of forty-eight altogether recovered from the wreckage.

DR. DUBOIS' NEW BOOK.

The Quest of the Silver Fleece. The new book, entitled "The Quest of the Silver Fleece," by Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, made its appearance Monday. It contains 434 pages handsomely bound and well printed. It is a novel and founded on facts. It is divided into 38 chapters, and each chapter has a sub-head and treats on different subjects. The world knows who Prof. DuBois is. He is not only a writer, but a speaker of a high class. His new book will no doubt be classed as one of the greatest literary productions of the age.

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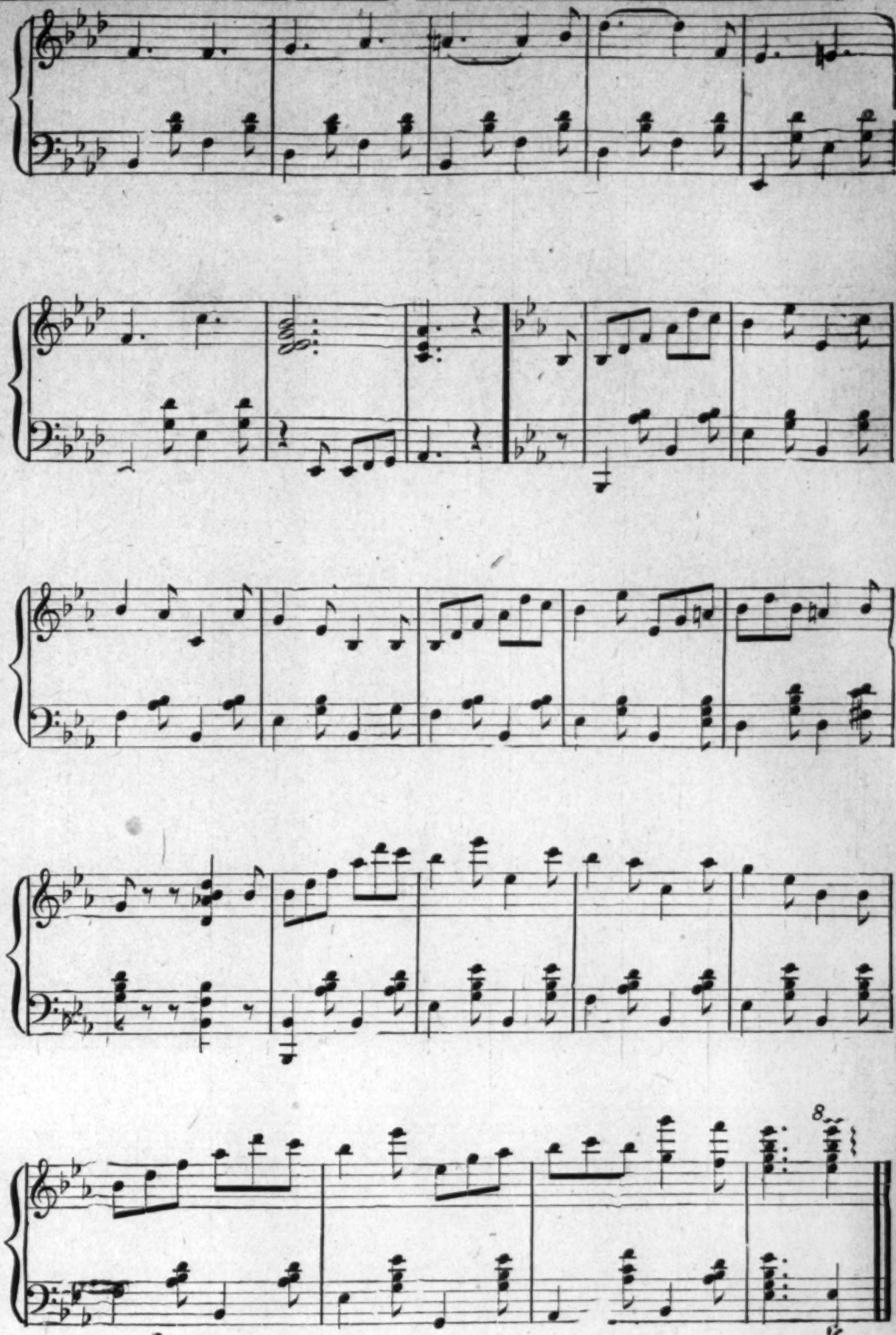
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Whether the old saying that "a lawyer who tries his own case has a fool for a client" is applicable to Samuel J. Tilden in the matter of drawing his will is not known. It was thought for some time that the will was drawn, or at least approved, by Charles O'Connor and James C. Carter, two of the most eminent lawyers in New York, but later statements, says Case and Comment, are to the effect that they had nothing at all to do with the will, and consequently it is not definitely known who was responsible for it.

It would hardly seem possible that Mr. Tilden himself could have made such a mistake had he been acting for some one else. The statement has been made that Mr. Tilden had some doubts as to the validity of those clauses which the court subsequently condemned and had spoken to Mr. Carter about it, but nothing more came of it.

In summing up the provisions of the Tilden will the court in holding it invalid stated that the testator in substance said: "I have determined to devote my estate to charitable, educational and scientific purposes. I have formed no detailed plan how that purpose can be executed, but under the law of New York it must be done through and by means of a corporation. I request you to cause to be incorporated an institution to be called the 'Tilden trust' with capacity to maintain a free library and reading room in the city of New York, and such other educational and scientific objects as you shall designate, and if you deem it expedient—that is, if you think it advisable and the fit and proper thing to do—convey to that institution all or such part of my residuary estate as you choose, and if you do not think that course advisable then apply it to such charitable, educational and scientific purposes as in your judgment will most substantially benefit mankind."

It will be noted that the discretion of the trustees was indefinite both as to the amount which they were to give to the corporation to be formed and also as to whether they should give any at all to the incorporation, and the validity of the bequest was denied upon the ground of this complete discretionary power to convey or not to convey to the suggested beneficiary.

The trustees procured the incorporation of the "Tilden trust" and elected to convey to it the entire property, but the court held that the invalidity of the charitable trust because of its uncertainty could not be cured by anything done by the trustees to execute it.

In striking contrast with the Tilden will is that of his contemporary in law and politics, Roscoe Conkling, the text of which is as follows: "I, Roscoe Conkling of Utica, make, publish and declare my last will and testament as follows: I give, devise and bequeath to my wife Julia and to her heirs and assigns forever all my property and estate, whether real or mixed, and I constitute and appoint my said wife sole executrix of this my last will." It would undoubtedly take a better lawyer than even Mr. Conkling to break his will.

In passing upon the validity of the will of President James K. Polk a Tennessee court of chancery said: "This will was written by the testator with his own hand in the executive mansion at Washington at a time when he was president of the United States. He was a lawyer of recognized ability, had filled many high public offices with distinction and reflected great honor upon his state. His will was witnessed by a law partner and a senator in congress and named as executor one of the justices of the supreme court of the United States. It comes to us with the impression of having been carefully thought out before it was formally put down and published as his last testament."

Among other provisions his home, known as Polk Place, situated in the city of Nashville, was given to his wife for life, and upon her death it was bequeathed to the state of Tennessee in trust to be occupied and enjoyed "by such one of my blood relatives having the name of Polk as may be designated by the said state," and if there were no blood relatives of that name then "by such other of my blood relations as may be designated by the said state to execute this trust."

The occupant was to keep the same in repair and prevent it from dilapidating or falling into decay, to pay the taxes and to preserve and keep in repair "the tomb which may be placed or erected over the mortal remains of my beloved wife and myself and shall not permit the same to be removed nor any buildings or other improvements be placed or erected over the spot where said tomb may be."

This will was declared invalid as tending to establish a perpetuity. It was not a gift for public charity and was merely an attempt to retain the property for the use of the blood relatives of the testator.

How easy it is for one to suggest a sure way for some one else to manage a troublesome affair!

NOT A GAME OF CHANCE.

After a Test the Jury Decided That Seven-up Was Decided Scientifically.

One of Mark Twain's old time stories concerned the game of seven-up, or old sledge. Some Kentucky boys were arrested for playing this game under the usual charge of playing a game of chance. When they were brought before the judge their lawyer claimed that this game was not a game of chance, but was a game of science. The court, puzzled, asked for a suggestion, and the lawyer declared that if a jury of six gamblers well acquainted with the game in a scientific way and six deacons be impeached with a pack of cards their decision ought to be determinative. So the story goes:

"There was no disputing the fairness of the proposition. Four deacons and the two dominies were sworn in as the 'chance' jurymen, and six inveterate old seven-up professors were chosen to represent the 'science' side of the issue. They retired to the jury room."

"In about two hours Deacon Peters sent into court to borrow \$3 from a friend. In about two hours more Dominie Miggies sent into court to borrow a 'stake' from a friend. During the next three or four hours the dominies and the other deacons sent into court for small loans."

"The rest of the story can be told briefly. About daylight the jury came in, and Deacon Job, the foreman, read the following verdict:

"We, the jury in the case of the commonwealth of Kentucky versus John Wheeler et al., have carefully considered the points of the case and tested the merits of the several theories advanced and do hereby unanimously decide that the game commonly known as old sledge, or seven-up, is eminently a game of science and not of chance. In demonstration whereof it is hereby and herein stated, iterated, reiterated, set forth and made manifest that during the entire night the 'chance' men never won a game or turned a jack, although both the opposition, and furthermore in support of this our verdict we call attention to the significant fact that the 'chance' men are all broke and the 'science' men have got the money. It is the deliberate opinion of this jury that the 'chance' theory concerning seven-up is a pernicious doctrine and calculated to inflict untold suffering and pecuniary loss upon any community that takes stock in it."

SLEEPING SICKNESS.

The Grip This Dreadful Disease Takes Upon Its Victims.

The course of the dreadful disease, sleeping sickness, is an extremely slow one. The first stage is said to last a year or more, and the cause of the disease may be in the blood long before any symptoms whatever present themselves. The patient has occasional fever; indeed, a disease hitherto called Gambia fever has recently been recognized as the first stage of sleeping sickness. It is said that the swelling of the lymphatic glands of the neck is a characteristic early symptom. This was known in 1803 to Dr. Winterbottom, who states that slave traders, recognizing the symptom of a fatal disease, would not buy slaves who had this glandular enlargement. The patient feels well and strong and is able to go about his usual occupations.

The second stage is indicated by a distinct change in the appearance of the patient. His expression grows heavy and dull; he becomes apathetic, lies around a great deal and cannot exert himself. With the progress of the disease these symptoms become more marked; walking and speech become difficult and finally impossible. During the last week the sufferer lies in a state of complete coma, from which the illness derives its name. Often during the second stage of the disease the brain becomes affected, and some of the patients try to run away into the forests or swamps, where they die of exposure or starvation. To prevent this the relatives of a sufferer frequently chain him down until the time comes when he can no longer move.—McClure's Magazine.

Some Famous Men of Old.

The "nine worthies" were Joshua, David, Judas Maccabeus, Hector of Troy, Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, King Arthur of Britain, Charlemagne of France and Godfrey of Bouillon. The list varies somewhat, but this is the most popular one. The "seven wise men of Greece" were Solon, Thales, Pittacus, Bias, Cleobolus, Myson and Chellon of Sparta. The supposition is, of course, that these were not the only wise men in Greece, but the wisest.—New York American.

Waiting For Him.

"Yes, mum," said Poetic Pete as he twined an autumn leaf through his buttonhole. "I am a great lover of the romantic. I stopped at dis gate because I saw de sign 'Idlewood.'" "You did?" approved the housewife. "Well, there is a lot of idle wood down at the wood pile. Just take this ax and split up half a cord."—Chicago News.

A Greater Attraction.

Herr Harden told of a meeting at Gasten between William I. and Francis Joseph. The Austrian sovereign commented impatiently on the too pressing attentions of the crowd. "It won't last long," returned his ally soothingly. "Bismarck will be here directly, and then no one will look at us."—London Spectator.

A mere madness—to live like a wretch and die rich.—Burton.

COLOR AND SOUND.

Hues That Humans Cannot See and Tones Louder Than Thunder That Are Unheard.

The primary colors shown in the rainbow vary from red to blue and violet, and the vibrations or lengths of the light waves that give us violet grow shorter and shorter and at length give us red. These vibrations can be measured. One day, quite by chance, I came across the statement that there were innumerable light waves longer than those which give violet. At once the question sprang, Were these longer waves represented by colors which we don't see, colors for which we have no name, colors of which we can form no conception? And was the same thing true of the waves which, growing shorter and shorter, give us the sensation of red? There is room, of course, for myriads of colors beyond this other extremity of our vision. A little study convinced me that my guess was right, for all the colors which we see are represented to our sense of feeling in degrees of heat; that is, blue shows one reading on the thermometer and red a higher reading, and by means of this new standard I discovered that man's range of vision is not even placed in the middle of the register of heat, but occupies a little space far up toward the warmer extremity of it. There are thousands of degrees of cold lower than blue and hundreds of degrees of heat above red. All these gradations are doubtless represented by colors which no human eye can perceive, no human mind imagine. It is with sight as with sound. We know now that there are noises louder than thunder which we cannot hear, the roar that lies on the other side of silence. We men are poor restless prisoners, hemmed in by our senses as by the walls of a cell, hearing only a part of nature's orchestra and that part imperfectly; seeing only a thousandth part of the color marvels about us and seeing that infinitesimal part incorrectly and partially.—Forum.

THE DEATH OF A CZAR.

Dramatic Story of the Way Nicholas I. Committed Suicide.

There are various stories of the death of the Czar Nicholas I. Here is one which the great singer Mario heard from a doctor of the court and which is told in "The Romance of a Great Sinner."

"When the Russian army was meeting with reverse after reverse in the Crimean war the czar sent for his doctor and demanded to know which was the quickest and most painless poison that he knew of, bluntly telling the startled physician that he had resolved to commit suicide. He further warned the doctor in the stern manner which was his characteristic that if he were not obeyed the doctor's life would be worthless. He sharply silenced the man's nervous remonstrances and commanded him to bring the poison. The doctor did not dare to refuse and a few minutes later brought a small vial containing the poison, which he assured the czar would deprive any one of existence in a few minutes. To be sure that he had been obeyed and that the doctor was speaking the truth the czar obliged him to remain in the room warning him that if the poison failed his life should answer for it. The czar took the poison without the least tremor or the movement of a muscle, and, although twice told by the doctor, who held his watch in his hand, that there was time to save him by an antidote should he alter his mind, the czar refused, answering the second entreaty by simply waving the man away, he by that time being unable to speak. It was given out that the czar had died from the effects of a severe chill, but those who knew the facts also knew that he had committed suicide rather than face the defeat of his army."

Carlyle an Intemperate Smoker.

For about seventy of his eighty-six years Carlyle smoked and made most of his contemporaries smoke. The trouble with him was that he was too fond of smoking a rank pipe on an empty stomach. That gave him pains and his contemporaries particular pains, for "purr and Carlyle" was as savage as a meat house dog all the time. He cared for but two men in the world, Tennyson and Dickens. All the rest were "purr, feckless, reckless, intemperate bladders and gas bags," and all because Tom did not know how to clean his pipe and keep it clean and would smoke before breakfast.—Tobacco Leaves.

Breaking the Sabbath.

Two Scots, one old and the other young, set out one bright winter Sunday morning to walk ten miles to kirk. The sun shone gloriously. The frozen road rang under their feet. The cold, pure air was as exhilarating as wine. The younger Scot looked up at the glittering blue sky and said:

"It's a fine day."
The older man frowned and answered:
"Aye, it is a fine day, but is this a day to be talking about days?"

Doubtful Vocalism.

"There is only one trouble about a Chinese cook," said the man from the west.

"What is that?"
"You can never tell whether he is singing at his work or whether he has burnt himself and is moaning with pain."—Washington Star.

A Friendly Suggestion.

Baron (to creditors)—I see no hopes of being able to pay what I owe you. Why not organize a suicide club?—Mezendorfer Blatte.

MIGHTY ARCTURUS.

If This Star Were Our Sun It Would Instantly Consume the Earth.

The parallax of a star is its angular displacement as seen from two opposite points on the earth's orbit. The base line employed in this gigantic species of surveying is 186,000,000 miles in length, but the calculation is reduced to the semidiameter of the orbit. The results are at the same time amazing and instructive.

Let us take the famous star Arcturus, often called the "star of Job" because in the Old Testament the Almighty is represented as saying to the unfortunate patriarch, who maintains a certain dignity in spite of his helplessness and his sufferings, "Canst thou call forth Arcturus and his sons?"

Many conflicting measures of the parallax of Arcturus have been made, but the latest made at Yale seem more probably correct than their predecessors. They fix the parallax at 0.066 seconds—i. e., sixty-six one-thousandths of a second of arc. From this it is easy to calculate the distance of the star. It comes out at nearly 290,000,000,000,000 miles (two hundred and ninety trillion miles). This is more than 3,000,000 times the distance of the earth from the sun.

Having this distance, we can calculate the actual amount of light shed by Arcturus, or, in other words, its actual brightness as compared with that of our sun, on the supposition that both were at the same distance from us. We thus find that Arcturus exceeds the sun as a light giver about 2,500 times! It is a sun 2,500 times brighter than ours.

Put the earth as near to Arcturus as it is to the sun and all life would disappear from its surface as if swept off by a blast of inconceivable heat. The summer temperature would rise to tens of thousands of degrees. The oceans would boil away. Vegetation would be burned up in a twinkling. The eyes of living beings would char in their sockets. The plains and mountains would burst into flame. Minerals would run in molten streams. There would be no comfort for a living world nearer to Arcturus than about 4,000,000,000 miles. If he has planets he must keep them at a respectful distance. And yet nearly 300,000,000,000,000 miles from him we can look into his blazing eye and see only a bright star.

Still, Dr. Alfred Russel Wallace maintains that this little earth, this tiny attendant of a tiny sun, is the only seat of intelligent life—outside of the misty midregion of disembodied spirits—that the universe contains, and Dr. Wallace is a learned man, but his learning is not that which astronomy offers.—Garrett P. Serviss in New York American.

Unavoidable Delay.

A woman went before the magistrate and modestly inquired:

"Your honor, can I have a warrant for the arrest of my husband? He boxed my ears yesterday."

"Certainly, ma'am," replied the judge. "I will make out a warrant on the ground of assault and personal injuries."

"Can I fetch the warrant in about a month?"

"In a month? Why won't you take it at once?"

"Please, your honor, when my husband slapped my face I took my rolling pin and hit him on the head so that he had to be removed to the hospital. The doctors say, however, that he will be on his legs again in a month."

Discrediting an Astrologer.

A certain king, says a tale from the Persian, asked an astrologer, "How many years of life remain to me?" The wise man replied, "Ten." The king became very despondent and betook himself, as one stricken with a sickness, to his bed. His vizier, who possessed great wisdom, sent for the seer and in the king's presence asked him, "How many years have you to live?" He replied, "Twenty." The vizier ordered that he should that very hour be executed in the king's presence. The king was satisfied and commended the sagacity of his minister and no longer attached any importance to the astrologer's saying.

Getting Into German.

In the use of legal terms the German lawyer's gain in a saving of number of words over our equivalent expressions seems to be lost in multiplication of syllables in the words used by him. For example, he says "Zurückbehaltungsrecht" for "right of lien" and "gesamtschuldnerverbindlichkeit" for "liabilities of common property." What an awful word he must have as an equivalent for our "improbability."—Docket.

Rung In an Actor.

"How did you enjoy the vaudeville performance?"

"It was good. They had performing cats, a baseball player, a champion pugilist, a trained cockatoo, and I give you my word, they even had an actor doing a turn."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Fanciest Ever.

New Boarder—Haven't you got any fancy dishes here? Rural Landlord—Sure thing. Mame, bring the gentleman that mustache cup your grandfather used to use.—Puck.

A Way They Have.

People are forever striving to get things for nothing and then failing to appreciate them because they didn't cost anything.—Chicago Record-Herald.

HIS DOLLAR BILL.

His Charitable Endeavor Was Not Appreciated, and the Bill Was Pocketed by Another.

Diplomacy doesn't always work, as a certain kind-hearted business man in West Philadelphia has just found out. He says that the lesson was cheap at the price, but at the same time he will employ more direct methods next time he wishes to play the philanthropist.

It happened on the subway the other night. He had just closed a real estate deal at considerable profit and was feeling very generous, so when he saw a poor woman in a threadbare dress carefully count out five pennies for her ticket and saw that it was the last money in her worn pocketbook he determined to help her. Of course it wasn't easy, but the man prides himself upon being a diplomat. So, crumpling a dollar bill up in his hand, he stooped over as if picking something up and then, holding it out to the woman, said:

"Madam, here is some money you dropped." He tried to smile significantly as he said it, but she didn't seem to understand and said simply:

"Tain't mine."

"You'd better take it," he said. "It isn't mine, and it was lying right by you."

The woman shook her head at first, then took it slowly out of his hand and looked at it gloatingly. The man smiled, well pleased with himself, but an instant later the woman, seeing a man looking down at the platform, rushed up and cried, "Was you looking for a dollar bill?"

"I sure was," answered the man promptly.

"Well, here it is," said the woman, and the man with a delighted "Oh, thanks!" calmly pocketed the sum and walked away.—Philadelphia Times.

FIRE EATERS.

The Trick of Breathing Flames and Sparks From the Mouth.

Fire tricks were practiced in very ancient times. The first known fire breather was a Syrian slave named Eunus, a leader in the Servile war in Sicily, 130 B. C. He pretended to have immediate communication with the gods. When desirous of inspiring his followers with courage he breathed flames and sparks from his mouth.

In order to accomplish this feat Eunus pierced a nutshell at both ends, and, having filled it with some burning substance, he put it in his mouth and breathed through it. The same trick is performed today in a more approved manner. The performer rolls some flax or hemp into a ball about the size of a walnut, which he lets burn until it is nearly consumed. Then he rolls around it more flax while it is still burning. By this means the fire is retained in the ball for a long time. He slips this ball into his mouth unperceived and breathes through it. His breath revives the fire, and he sustains no injury so long as he inhales only through his nostrils.

Various theories have been advanced to account for other feats of this sort performed by the ancients. An old ordeal was the holding of a red-hot iron by the accused, who was not burned if he were innocent. Probably some protective paste was used on the hands. The peculiar property of mineral salts, such as alum, in protecting articles of dress from fire has long been known. An old Milanese devised a costume consisting of a cloth covering for the body which had been steeped in alum. A metallic dress of wire gauze was added to this, and thus protected a man might walk on hot iron.—Harper's.

London's Dramatic Censors.

London has had its absurd dramatic censors even if it cannot quite come up to Vienna. Colley Cibber in his autobiography tells us of one master of the revels who was responsible for the licensing of plays in those days expunging the whole first act of "Richard III." on the ground that the distresses of Henry VI. would remind weak people of King James, then living in France. In fact, Shakespeare has more than once been censored, for "King Lear" was inhibited during the illness of George III. George Colman when reader of plays banned the use of such words as angel and heaven.—London Chronicle.

To Make Him Sleep.

"Unfit for duty because of insomnia" was the record of a New York policeman for several weeks.

Inspector Byrnes sent for the man and gave him a little bit of advice, thus: "Tonight, about midnight, put on your uniform, belt, hat, revolver, take night stick in hand and go to some corner house. Lean against it, and lean against it hard, as if you were really on duty. You'll go to sleep, all right."—New York Tribune.

No Skill Required.

Litigant—Your fee is outrageous. Why, it's more than three-fourths of what I recovered. Lawyer—I furnished the skill and the legal learning for your case. Litigant—But I furnished the case. Lawyer—Oh, anybody can fall down a coal hole!—Boston Transcript.

Alarmed Her.

Servant—Heavens! I have knocked the big flowerpot off the window ledge and it struck a man on the head. Mistress—What! My beautiful majolica?—Fliegende Blätter.

We may forgive those who bore us. We cannot forgive those whom we bore.—La Rochefoucauld.

RUSSIA'S JESTER.

Balakireff Is the Joe Miller of the Muscovites.

HIS WIT TICKLES THE BEAR.

He Was the Court Fool That Many a Time Braved the Anger of Peter the Great—His Miracle of the Sword and a Wondrous Deed of Daring.

Every nation has its typical jester, around whom crystallize all the floating stories of a people. Thus England has its Joe Miller, Germany its Till Eulenspiegel, Italy its Punchinello, the orient its Nasreddin el Khoja and Russia its Balakireff. Like Joe Miller, the last was a real character, though not all the jokes credited to him were his own. Some were inventions of a later age; others were borrowed from the past. He shares the credit for many of the latter with Joe Miller and Eulenspiegel.

History records that Balakireff was the favorite jester of Peter the Great. Tradition represents him as the constant companion of that czar, frequently exercising his wit at royal expense. One day, for example, a cousin of his had fallen under the czar's displeasure and was sentenced to death. Balakireff undertook to obtain a reprieve. The czar guessed his errand even before he opened his mouth.

"No!" he cried. "Tis no use your coming here. I swear that I will not grant what you are going to ask!"

Balakireff dropped at once to his knees. "Peter Alexievitch," he cried, "I pray you, put to death that scamp of a cousin of mine!"

Peter, thus caught in his own trap, had no choice but to laugh and send a pardon to the culprit.

On another occasion Balakireff asked that he might be enrolled among his master's domestic guards. Peter consented for the sake of the joke, but warned his jester that death was the penalty if any officer of the guards absented himself from his post or mislaid his sword. Then to test the volunteer he sent him up a flagon of wine to "moisten his commission." Balakireff, as was expected, drank to the intoxicating point. While he was sleeping off his debauch the czar himself crept into the room and carried off his sword from the scabbard. Balakireff, though badly scared, on awaking made shift to replace the missing weapon with his own wooden imitation of the guardsmen's sword. He was called to parade next morning, when Peter feigned next indignation at the untidiness of one of the guards. "Captain Balakireff," he cried at last, "draw your sword and cut off the head of that sloven!"

Balakireff cast his eyes up to heaven. "Oh, merciful God," he prayed, "grant that my sword may turn into wood before I use it on one of my own fellow soldiers!"

And, lo, when he unsheathed it the blade stood revealed as a wooden one. Peter laughed heartily at the knave's presence of mind and restored him to favor.

A more serious offense resulted in the banishment of the jester. "Never dare to appear again on Russian soil!" stormed the emperor. Judge then of Peter's surprise when, a week later, he beheld his old favorite coolly driving a cart past the palace.

"How dare you disobey me?" shouted the enraged monarch. "Did I not forbid you ever to show yourself on Russian soil?"

"Nay," replied Balakireff, "I have not disobeyed you. This is not Russian soil."

"How say you—not Russian soil?" "Truly not. This cartload of earth on which I am sitting is Swedish soil. I dug it up in Finland only the other day."

Again the czar laughed uproariously and readmitted his buffoon to favor. Some historians add that when he heard the excuse he said, "If Finland be Swedish soil now it shall be Russian before long," a threat he was not slow to fulfill.

This story, however, was an old one long before the time of Balakireff. It forms the twenty-seventh adventure of Till Eulenspiegel, who is reputed to have died in 1350. Having offended the Duke of Lunenburg, Till was "forbidden the land." He purchased a shilling's worth of earth to fill his cart with, and, being duly challenged by the duke, he answered:

"My gracious lord, I am not in your land, but in mine own, wherein I do sit. I bought it of a boor for a shilling. And rightfully could he sell it, for from his forefathers he inherited it. So is this truly my land."

At the close of one of Czar Peter's campaigns Balakireff overheard some Russian officers boasting of exploits they had performed.

"Nay," he cried, "I can tell a better story than any of you." And, being pressed for the story, he continued:

"Never have I liked this modern way of fighting all in a body together. Surely it would be more manly for each to stand by himself. Therefore went I out alone in search of adventures. One day while reconnoitering near the enemy's outposts I espied a Swedish soldier lying on the ground. Before he could rise and give the alarm I rushed upon him and with one blow from my sword cut off his right foot."

"You fool!" cried one of his auditors. "Why did you not cut off his head?"

"So would I have done," retorted Balakireff, "except that somebody else had already done it."—Washington Star.

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INSPIRING CAREERS.

There is little distinction in the beginning of successful Negroes' lives. The same rough road is trodden by all, and the same obstinate foe—race prejudice, must be overcome by every Negro who succeeds in life. But there is a difference in the ending, or rather in the measure of success that comes to the various men of our race who strive for and win success. Some possess more perseverance than others, possess sufficient to carry them a few paces farther along the road of success than their competing brothers. William H. Lewis, who occupies the very distinguished position of Assistant Attorney General of the United States, began life as did all his peers, at the lowest rung of the ladder, and he endured just as many hardships, and encountered just as many storms, and was forced to bridge just as many chasms of prejudice. While some stopped at some certain point, he pressed on. Mr. Lewis' success is inspiring to the young men of the race for the reason that it illustrates how much success hangs on perseverance. Two years ago when he aspired to some day be an assistant attorney general, even his friends believed he was but nursing a delusion; that he was dreaming a dream that would never become a realization. But that was the star to which his hopes pointed, and that was the star he was determined to add to his banner. Undaunted by race prejudice which would turn him aside; undaunted by the jealous aspersions of some of his own people, and ignoring the counsel of friends who thought so high an honor far beyond the reach of one whose forefathers, within our own memory, were slaves, he stuck to the course, and he won the coveted prize. While the success of Mr. Lewis may be held up before the colored youth of this land as an inspiration, as an example of what they too may accomplish, still we must not overlook the fact that Mr. Lewis is no ordinary man—he is an extraordinary man. He has come a long ways, in a remarkably short period. He has demonstrated that capacity and fitness urged on by energy and alertness can brush aside this color-bearer almost as easily as can the flood of waters carry a fragile barque unresistingly down the maddening stream. If the colored young men will take William H. Lewis as their example the future, although, perhaps, but dimly visible now, will open up success unrestricted save alone by their own capacity.

A JUST STAND.

Public Printer Donnelly stated a few days ago what he means when he declared that the color of a man's skin made no difference to him, when he is competent. His declarations to the labor unions were broad, patriotic and just, and should commend themselves to every true and loyal American citizen. The Civil Service Commission certified to Mr. Donnelly, the Public Printer, that a certain colored bricklayer had met every requirement and was competent to be appointed as a bricklayer, to work as such. The United labor unions throughout the country, because the man was a Negro, declared that he was not qualified, and hence could not hold the position. Upon investigation by the Civil Service Commission, it was ascertained that the colored bricklayer had violated no law, and had passed the required examination. This didn't suit certain prejudicial members of the union, so they denounced the Public Printer as being an enemy to organized labor. The

Public Printer hits back, as will be seen in another column of The Bee, and gives those men to understand that the color of a man's skin will be no bar to him being employed as a bricklayer at the Government Printing Office. The stand that the Public Printer has taken is a manly one, and the country will applaud and stand by him. If a man is competent to do any kind of work in the government, should he be discriminated against? There is too much of this kind of business going on among labor organizations. Those organizations should be more liberal and fair toward their fellow man. We very seldom find such discrimination among the intelligent class of working men. It is the ignorant and vicious class that object to competent workmanship. If these labor unions want to be just and fair they should throw open their doors and allow the intelligent and competent men to join their unions regardless of color.

THAT INVESTIGATION.

Of all the farces that one would desire to read, is the investigation of a member of the Excise Board. Just why a man can't speculate in real estate without being looked upon with suspicion of wrong doing, The Bee would like to know. If every employee in the District Government, after having been discharged for cause, would be allowed to bring charges against his superiors, there would be but little work done. The Commissioners ought to know that the members of the Excise Board are honorable and upright men. They can't satisfy everybody. The assessor of the District is a man above suspicion, and the recommendation and indorsement he gave to Mr. Kalbfus should convince the Commissioners that the charges against him are groundless. We would have a better police force today if the officers were not pursued so much and brought before the trial board on so many frivolous charges that could be settled by the Chief of Police. If the Commissioners want to investigate, let them ascertain why no more colored men are appointed on the police force. Ninety thousand colored people are interested in this subject.

SILENCING CRITICS.

Dr. Washington has made two trips from the far South to New York to prosecute his assailant, only to learn, on arriving, that the case would be postponed, upon Ulrich's request, to some future date. Last week it was continued until November 6, which will necessitate the Doctor cancelling all his speaking engagements in Wisconsin in order to be present. But he will be present at that time, just as he has been at each setting of the case, to prosecute the man who assaulted him. This ought to be sufficient to make these little Negroes wince. It ought to convince them that Dr. Washington is terribly in earnest, and it ought to close their foul mouths, and chain their jealous tongues. The continual setting of the trial until some future date, upon the request of Ulrich's attorney, is proof of the weakness of his side of the case. The cancelling of engagements, and the incurring of great expense to be present at each setting of the case constitutes the proof that Dr. Washington is earnest and sincere in his intention to prosecute.

WHY IS IT?

It is so strange that this city is the dumping ground for social outcasts of other cities. The moment these social outcasts arrive in this city they begin to organize a cast society. There is a social craze in this city that is bordering on to "Jim Crowism." There is an attempt to organize a Lily White society, such as The Bee exposed some few years ago. In short, it is an organization of the social outcasts from other cities. This class of individuals tend to menace the very social fabric of our best society. It makes no difference how white a Negro endeavors to make himself, the white people don't want him! The Bee is acquainted with several men and women in this city who never did stand socially or politically for anything in their own State. The social craze has been the downfall and ruin of many a person who has come to this city. The Bee will publish shortly a series of articles entitled "The result of the social craze in this city and who they were. The past, present and future."

TAFT AT LOS ANGELES.

The Bee today carries in full the address made by President Taft before the colored citizens of Los Angeles, Cal., on Monday, October

16. The daily newspapers, at the time, carried but a short excerpt taken from the President's address. In many respects it is one of the finest and most encouraging, and most sympathetic speeches Mr. Taft has ever delivered before a colored audience. In keeping with its policy of printing the news, The Bee lays before its readers this magnificent address of President Taft, and is the only newspaper in this city to carry it. We are indebted to Secretary Hilles for this copy of the President's full address delivered at Los Angeles.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL.

The Bee briefly spoke in a former issue of turning the Armstrong Manual Training School into a vocational or a technical high school. It is believed that the people would indorse such a change, because there is no doubt that it would be for the best interest of the pupils in the schools. What the colored Americans want today are trades. The avenue for young men and women who have trades will be open to them if they can demonstrate their ability to master the same work that white men and women can master. It is hoped that Dr. Davidson and Assistant Superintendent Bruce will consider these kindly suggestions.

POPULARITY'S PROOF.

The proof of a newspaper's popularity lies in its circulation. Make a round of the news stands in Washington, and the dealers will tell you that The Bee is by far the best seller. Our postoffice receipts is the proof that The Bee has more outside subscribers than any and all other colored so-called newspapers published in Washington. The Bee's popularity is due to the fact that it prints the most news, the best class of news and more promptly. The Bee sells itself. We expect to further increase its popularity by adding some interesting features in the near future. The Bee aims to be the people's newspaper. Criticize as we must, when criticism is merited, still we will praise when praise is deserved. The Bee hands out even-handed justice. The Bee leads.

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY.

The diamond anniversary of Asbury Church, under the pastorate of Rev. M. W. Clair, that began Sunday, October 22, and will continue to Sunday, November 30, is no doubt the greatest event in the history of that old landmark. Some of the most distinguished divines in this country are booked to preach at the services of the church, and from the present outlook every service is well attended. Elsewhere in The Bee will be seen and read with interest the entire program of exercises. The Bee extends its congratulations to Rev. Clair and his congregation.

Get a hustle.

A hustling man usually gets there.

And up to the time of going to press, not a board member has resigned.

The season of resigning is here again. The latest cabinet officer whose rumored resignation is being penned, is Postmaster General Hitchcock. But the bland-haired P. M. G. is not saying a word.

If some of the colored gentlemen were half as much interested in how many tons of coal it will take to warm their homes, and how to get the masuma to pay for it as they are in the next chairman of the Republican National Committee they'd be better off.

Those pesky Insurgent Republicans are queer critters. They call themselves "progressives," and still they insert against the man who is the real progressive. But next June the "insurgents" will be a barren idealism, just stick a pin here.

Political parties do love to get the Negro to fighting among themselves just immediately before a campaign. By doing so they can logically say to them—you are not united, so we therefore cannot recognize you. Of course the whites are not always united, but such an answer never changes the p.p.'s idea of unity for the Negro voters.

Real estate is at a lower point in Washington than it has been for the past two or three years. Negroes, who desire to secure a home, had better take advantage of the low market price and get them a home. There is nothing like having your name on the tax duplicate.

In last week's issue, in our editorial citing Prof. Kelly Miller's career as an inspiring one, a typographical error made "simplicity," as referring to his life, "suppleness." For this error we apologize to the Professor and denounce the proof-reader. If this is not sufficient reparation, upon the request of Prof. Miller, we will go farther—even to the extent of firing the proof-reader, even though he happens to be the editor himself.

Colored men will feel grateful to Assistant Secretary Thompson, of the Interior Department, for Mr. Hershaw's promotion. This well-known Ohioan came to Washington with a reputation of always recognizing efficient Negroes, and of knowing no color line when ability was in the balance. The Bee, in behalf of colored citizens, thanks Hon. Carmi Thompson for Prof. Hershaw's promotion.

DR. WASHINGTON AT BIRMINGHAM.

Immense Throng Applauds Utterances of Educator at the Orpheum. Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 14. Dr. Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Institute, spoke here last night to a crowd that filled the large Orpheum Theater to the doors. Several hundred white people were present in the auditorium, and seated on the platform with Dr. Washington were a hundred or more of the leading business and professional men of both races in Birmingham.

The committee in charge of the arrangements was composed of Dr. U. G. Mason, Dr. W. R. Pettiford, president of the Alabama Penny Savings Bank, and Dr. J. A. Whitted, pastor of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

The appearance of Dr. Washington upon the platform was followed by thunderous applause, and throughout his address was marked with demonstrations of approval from both white and colored people.

Dr. Washington was introduced by former Congressman S. J. Bowie, of Birmingham, who expressed his pleasure at being accorded the privilege of making the introduction. The address was plain and frank to both races. Dr. Washington congratulated the Negroes upon the wonderful opportunities open to them in Birmingham and in Jefferson County. He urged them to work steadily, save their money, patronize their own banking institutions, strive constantly for better school buildings and teachers, and above all to improve their earning power by increasing their efficiency. The whites, he exhorted to do their duty by the Negro in helping him to better himself. "In all that concerns the Negro in the South," he said, "there is no person in the world who can be so helpful to him as his white neighbor."

At the conclusion of his address Dr. Washington was entertained by the Tuskegee Club of Birmingham.

Social Settlement.

Promised contributions to Social Settlement:
R. N. Cabiness.....\$3.00
Mary Manuel.....3.00
W. T. Williams.....1.00
C. W. Mason.....3.00
Jos. Collins.....1.00
Jos. L. Wilkinson.....3.00
L. E. Jordan.....3.00
G. W. Cabiness.....1.00
Dr. Thos. W. Edwards.....3.00
H. E. Baker.....12.00
R. C. Bruce.....12.00
R. W. Thompson.....3.00
L. M. Murray.....5.00
L. J. Harmon.....3.00
Beatrice Richardson.....3.00
M. E. Wheeler.....3.00
F. D. Whitney.....1.00
E. L. Morchant.....1.00
I. A. Reid.....3.00
C. L. Clarke.....5.00
Rev. Randolph.....5.00
Julia Young.....1.00
C. Napier.....10.00
Mrs. Reid.....1.00
R. J. Pollard.....3.00
Walter Dixon.....1.00
Elizabeth Brown.....1.00
W. S. Ufford.....5.00
A. W. Dangerfield.....5.00
Dr. T. J. Jones.....5.00
Thos. Green.....1.00
Mrs. Anna Cooper.....10.00
Dr. W. P. Thirkield.....10.00
C. W. Tignor.....1.00
R. H. Lewis.....2.00
J. P. Coleman.....5.00
C. L. White.....3.00
J. M. Gomes.....5.00
Frances Butler.....3.00
C. L. Marchant.....3.00
John M. Cook.....3.00
Lloyd H. Neuman.....3.00
B. P. Wilson.....1.00
Dr. Childs.....12.00
Dr. Brooks.....12.00
Miss Merritt.....10.00
Dr. W. P. Thirkield, for Howard students.....20.00
Total amount promised.....\$139.00

THINGS TO HAPPEN.

The Armstrong Manual Training School changed to a vocational school.

Roscoe C. Bruce to be retained in his place.

A change in the personnel of the Board of Education.

Royal Hughes soon to become a benedict.

A new assistant Register of the Treasury to be appointed.

The man who gave the sun down legal advice will be fully rewarded.

R. W. Thompson, editor of The National Union.

All progressives are disappointed office seekers, and before 1912 will be supporting Mr. Taft.

Public Men And Things

(By the Sage of the Potomac.)

It always does me good to hear of a colored clerk being promoted in the departments. As a rule, though, promotions come to them about as fast as a snail moves. Last week I learned that "Life" Hershaw went to \$1,600. Hershaw had been so long in the \$1,400 class that he had begun to think that was the starting rather than the ending it had been for him. Of course, "Life" has been so busy adjusting this race problem, carrying the race on his shoulders, acting as advance agent for the Niagara Movement, now in decline, and hadn't taken time to hustle a little for himself. They tell me that he recently got infected with the idea that if he got something himself he would be helping to solve this knotty race question. Hershaw is a mighty clever fellow, chucked full of wisdom and patented ideas on problem solving. The "other crowd" tell me he is the least offensive of that blooming Niagara Movement, now in repose, around here. In fact, he is a little on the order of Dean Kelly Miller—can tread water all day without sinking. However, he does not quite come up to the Race Adjuster apostle when it comes to keeping in the middle of the road. I was glad to hear of Hershaw's promotion, because I don't believe there's a better equipped man, nor a brighter man connected with the Land Office. If Hershaw will just imagine that it is a part of a fellow's duty to carry himself, along with the awful load of the race problem, (I heard it tipped off) he may expect something more later on. So many of us chocolate drops have got the idea that we have to carry the race, and all the time the race, that is, a big part of it, imagines that we problem-solvers are a load for it to carry. "Life" Hershaw is getting wise, though, just don't fear.

I been running around the town for the past week trying to find out who's going to entertain those ten thousand colored deep water folks what's coming here to storm the White House. Judge Pugh and Judge Mulloyne tell me they haven't got accommodations for quite that many, and the Baptist preachers here say Goat, Willow Tree and Temperance alleys are crowded now. When I read that these Baptist-inclined individuals contemplated a pilgrimage to Washington to call on President Taft, I at once inserted an advertisement in the newspapers—"Wanted; a good, strong fool-killer." Yesterday I called up several railroads and they told me they would continue to charge the usual tariff for "jim crow" passage from the South, so that makes it impossible for them to come by rail. And there ain't much fear of ten thousand coming up from any distance on foot, for a colored man's feet, as a rule, are so afflicted with corns and bunions that he can't walk very far. I guess the coming of that Baptist host of ten thousand is one of those bluffs that's hatched just prior to a Presidential campaign. If we had ten thousand more Baptists here, whose affiliations were all with the "cullud" brother, added to the school fight and discussion, they would have to build ten more wings, of a thousand quarters each, out at St. Elizabeth, to accommodate those who would get into the dippy class here. Just imagine ten thousand colored Baptists marching down Pennsylvania Avenue and you will have a little idea of a black simoon. But they ain't coming, don't worry. There might be four or five deep-water gentlemen in principle, all better coats, checkered pants, wearing an "Old Marse Henry's" style of a beaver, blow in here, but ten thousand? Nevah.

Speaking about the school question, I observe the tension ain't quite so great as it was. People have got tired, buying the newspapers every morning and every evening to see if the colored members have resigned, and they ain't lookin' for no more fifteen-block sort of puzzle articles from Kelly Miller in defense of his dear West Indian orator Roscoe Bruce is breathing a bit freer, and Superintendent Davidson's colored calling list is getting down to normal. Henrie Tyson and Doc Childs ain't carrying quite so much of a load, and Capt. Oyster's black mail has fallen off until it only averages about two letters a week. Looks to me like the thing's just "ablowin" over, and that we are going back to the same oasis again. Gee, but some of these people around here certainly did get dippy on the school question. Dr. Tunnell, the man with the big megaphone voice, must feel all over in that after he read Kelly Miller's defense article, he led Kelly down behind the girls' dormitory, as far as the City Water Works' lake, and reducing his voice as near to a whisper as he could, said: "Now, my dear old college chum, if you ever write another article in my defense there will be only one of two alternatives left me; I will either have to drown you in this lake or drown myself. That Age article of yours came near getting my goat. It was about the bloominess bit of contradictory stuff you ever put out. Now for the love of Moik, be reasonable, and please never again, during your life on earth, come to my defence in an article, 'cause you know, Kelly, you can't ride sideways, you just have to straddle to be consistent." Kelly saw the point, and promised to be good, and Tunnell, so it's whispered on the hill, has heard enough comment to convince him that he had no business in staying in a jack-pot deal on the two little deuces he held. I sure am glad the school fight is nearing the home stretch. The whole thing was conceived of selfishness and born in jealousy, and ain't added one jot to the interest of the schools, and no matter what dear old Prof. Miller may say, it hasn't added anything to Howard University. You can't have a fight last five or six rounds but what both of the fighters are sure to get scratched some, and you can't play a game of ball on a diamond without

leaving some footprints thereon. It would have been better for the schools and better for Howard University if Dr. Tunnell hadn't got the idea he was a real matador and Roscoe Bruce was just a bull to be killed. And Mr. Horner, from Warrenton, Va., would have added to his list of friends and saved himself a lot of criticism if he had stuck to his law practice and permitted educators to run the schools, and Mrs. Harris would have been in her proper sphere if she had remained under her own vine and fig tree. Everybody got bified a little, and nobody got benefited, not even Kelly Miller. But they, all, will know more next time. I do hope the fight is over, and the rattled brains of some people are again adjusted to the exactness of a hair spring. It doesn't pay anybody to make fights. But Roscoe Bruce crawled out from under looking a little the worse for wear, but just as dapper as ever. You just can't get his goat, because his'n is a Swiss goat—use to rugged, steep paths.

I heard something Saturday I hadn't heard before. They tell me that when Mr. Lewis made the address at the opening of Howard Law School little Willie Richards, who is supposed to teach law down there, would not attend because Mr. Lewis is a friend of Dr. Washington. Of course, when it comes to making a comparison between the Hon. W. H. Lewis and Willie Richards, most any Goat alley denizen can see and tell at first sight that Lewis looks like a man, talks like a man, and is a man. I haven't got my dictionary here, so I can't define Willie Richards' place. He's a queer sort of a genius, however. I never talk with him but what I don't, involuntarily, recall Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. That's because Willie Richards, shuffling along the streets with his head leaning to one side, like the leaning tower of Piser, and wearing a smile that's half way between cynicism and the real Pleasantville, one would suppose he was the most amiable, and innocent bit of "yaller" goods around here. No one would ever suspect him of being narrow, and I am not appraised as to whether any one would guess that he would do such a little thing as to remain away when a man of Mr. Lewis' calibre was going to speak. But Willie Richards was not missed, so why so much ado about nothing.

The Social Settlement. In calling attention again to the urgent needs of the colored Social Settlement, we do so the more readily because of the really earnest efforts now being made under the direction of the new president, Dr. John R. Francis, to put the whole enterprise on a well sustained basis.

We should take particular pride in sustaining Dr. Francis and his energetic co-workers, because they are working unselfishly and along practical lines to help refute the charges that we do not, as a race, give proper support to such work in our midst, and for the direct benefit of the unfortunate in our own race.

It is not enough that we give of our dollars, but we should give personal service as well. We should visit the Settlement, and encourage by our presence the good work carried on down there by the ladies who are giving their whole time to the work, and for very inadequate compensation.

It was a fine thing for Mrs. West and Mrs. Bruce to assume the responsibility personally of raising a fund to insure the prompt payment of the salaries of the two lady workers at the Settlement, and we should faithfully uphold them in their efforts.

It is equally meritorious in Mrs. L. B. Moore to undertake the mammoth charity reception which she has planned in aid of the same cause, and we should liberally support that project, also not alone by individually purchasing tickets for it, but by persuading others to do the same thing. Let us remark that the good book contains no truer axiom than this: "He that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord."

The particulars of the charity reception will be found elsewhere in this paper, but special attention is here called to the following extract from one of the circulars sent out by Mrs. Moore's Committee.

NOTE: Please cut off this coupon at dotted line and mail it to Dr. John R. Francis, Sr., 1102 Ninth Street Northwest.

You may print my name on your list of patrons and I agree to take two tickets for the Citizens' Charity Reception at Convention Hall, December 8, 1911. Tickets to be paid for not later than December 4th.

Name.....
Address.....
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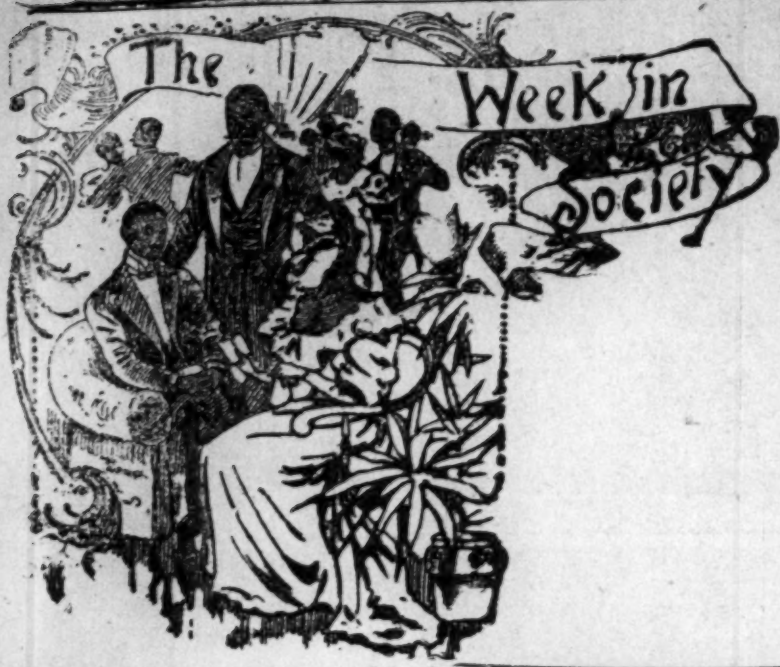
Tickets will be forwarded to you. Sale of Patrons' tickets, including reserved seats, closes December 4, 1911, after which single admission tickets will be on sale at some of the drug stores.

TO MOTHERS AND FRIENDS. Come or Send Your Daughters—Clarke's Training School—Dress-Making, Ladies' Tailoring, Designing, The Art of Remodeling, Millinery, Hair Work.

Competent teachers in charge. The school has been established twelve years. We have had 439 graduates, all of whom have made good. A number of young women have gone into the dress-making and millinery business for themselves, others are teaching in institutions or working in establishments, while many others are working at their trades in families, earning good salaries. Tuition in each of all. Day and evening classes.

For further information apply to Mrs. Addie R. Clarke, 1106 R Street Northwest. All kinds of employment furnished. Hours arranged to suit each student.

The Bee Leads. The Bee is the only newspaper in the city for the people. It contains the news for the colored people. Everybody reads The Bee. All others follow. Have The Bee sent to your home.



The Board & McGuire Drug Co. with stores at 1912 1/2 14th St. and 9th and You Sts., N. W., report the beginning of the heaviest fall trade in the history of their business. This firm has always stood for **QUALITY** in drugs and medicines, as well as in their famous ice cream soda, and quality always draws the discriminating buyer.

Mrs. A. L. Cornish, of Jersey City, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. Jane Cornish, in Capitol Hill.

Walter Bryant has returned to his home in New York City, after a pleasant trip to Raleigh, N. C., Richmond, Va., and this city.

E. French Tyson is an interne at Freedmen's Hospital.

Miss Sadie Doissette anticipates spending the winter in New York City.

Mr. J. C. Dancy delivered the principal address of the fair of the North Carolina Industrial Association in Raleigh, N. C., which began Monday.

Mr. W. T. Taylor, father of Miss Gypsy Taylor, is in the city, the guest of friends.

On Wednesday evening of last week, Miss Cora Middleton, of 1622 Eleventh Street, was hostess at a card party and dance given in honor of Miss Edmonia Byrd, of Fredericksburg, Va.

Miss Lillie Minor, of Philadelphia, Pa., is spending several weeks here with friends.

Mrs. Mary Spotwood has returned to her home in Harrisburg, Pa., after a pleasant stay in this city of three weeks.

Mrs. Edward Walton, of this city, has gone to Harrisburg, Pa., to spend two weeks with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Robinson, of Harrisburg, Pa., who attended the 27th annual conference at Orange, N. J., recently, visited friends in this city and New York City before returning home.

Mrs. Martha Scott has returned to her home in Pine Street, Baltimore, Md., after an enjoyable visit with friends in this city.

Miss Carrie M. and Henrietta A. Braxton, daughters of Mr. Henry Braxton, of Anacostia, have gone to Richmond, Va., to enter Hartshorn College.

Miss Kate Moten has returned to this city after spending a very enjoyable visit to New York City, where she was the guest of her brother, Mr. Claude Moten.

Mrs. Cordelia Jones, who has been visiting her brother in this city during the past four months, has returned to her home in Newport News, Va.

Mr. Sheldon Robinson, is the guest of Mrs. A. Jones, in Newport News, Va.

Miss Nannie H. Burroughs addressed the Y. W. C. A. meeting at Varick A. M. E. Zion Church, in Philadelphia, on Sunday.

Mr. John F. Collins has returned to Philadelphia after paying a flying business trip to this city.

Miss Ida Holmes, Mr. George Robinson and Mrs. John P. Turner have returned to Philadelphia after an enjoyable visit to this city.

Prof. J. H. Gray, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday in this city.

Rev. L. B. D. Rosser was in Sharon, Pa., recently.

Mr. Jerry Summers, of this city, and Miss Mattie James, of Charlottesville, Va., were united in wedlock on Wednesday, October 11.

Mrs. Josephine Commodore, accompanied by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Marie Commodore, have returned from Charlottesville, Va.

Mr. Wm. Brackett has returned home after a pleasant trip to Charlottesville, Va., where he visited friends.

Dr. J. W. Morse returned to this city last Friday evening, after spending a delightful vacation in New York City and Baltimore, with friends.

Dr. Morse also visited his brother in Philadelphia. His trip was quite beneficial.

Mr. C. H. Lassiter has returned from Norfolk, Va.

Dr. J. W. Morse has the gem drug store in the northwest. Prescriptions carefully compounded by registered clerks.

Miss Sadie White, who has been visiting her sister in Norfolk, Va., has returned.

Mr. W. H. Leigh, of Suffolk, Va., has moved his family to this city.

Miss Pearl Watford and Mr. Thos. W. Newbie, who have been visiting here, were married at Winston, N. C., on October 5, and are now in Portsmouth, Va.

Mrs. J. S. Levy has returned to Portsmouth, Va., after undergoing a successful operation at Freedmen's Hospital.

Rev. L. E. B. Rosser has just returned from an extended trip to Toronto, and other points in Canada, stopping at the Falls, Lewiston, N. Y., St. Catharines, Halton and Hamilton, Ont., spending the greater part of two weeks in Toronto, attending the Ecumenical Conference of Methodism.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams are here from Starkville, Miss.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Amos last week and left a fine son.

Don't pass Morse's Drug Store. at Nineteenth and L streets northwest.

Messrs. Bruce and Jesse Jackson have returned from Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. W. T. Menard, formerly of the Government Printing Office, is now in charge of the job department of the Palisade Press, at Yonkers, N. Y., in addition to his duties on the Standard-Journal, in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Emily Marshall, of Boston, Mass., is here on a three weeks' visit.

Miss Harriet E. Baker, of Boston, Mass., is domiciled with Dr. H. B. Thomas and mother, at 1634 R Street N. W.

Mrs. Hanley Davis, of this city, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clark, in Cambridge, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jones, of 498 K Street S. W., have purchased a fine residence at 944 S Street Northwest, where they are now residing.

Mrs. Ella V. Chase Williams, of Abbeville, S. C., who has been the guest of her sister for several weeks, will return shortly for home.

Attorney A. W. Scott left the city for North Carolina Tuesday morning, where he will speak at the great fair that is in progress.

Mrs. Scott, wife of Attorney Scott, who has been ill for some time, is improving.

Dr. John W. Morse, of the Gem Drug Store, at Nineteenth and L streets northwest, has everything that a first-class druggist possesses. Drop in.

Mrs. Jane Taylor is now in New York City visiting friends.

For social news among the colored Americans, read The Bee.

Bishop Alexander Walters was in the city this week. The Bishop was full of smiles.

Mr. James L. Harborn, of Upper Marlboro, Md., and Miss Laura Ray, of Virginia, were married at the parsonage of Asbury Church, last week, by Rev. M. W. Clair. The couple will be at home after November 1, at their cozy apartment, 220 R Street Northwest.

Mr. Chas. Madison, of Church Street, has arrived from Atlantic City. Mr. Howard Brice has arrived from New York State.

Mrs. Mamie Pendleton Taylor went home to bury her father, in Louisiana County, Va.

Mrs. Mary Harris, of R Street, has her nephew, Mr. Floyd Thompson, of Virginia, spending the winter with her.

Miss Ella Jones, of New Hampshire Avenue is home again for the winter. Miss Jones' health has improved greatly, and she is now able to receive friends again and enjoy the winter festivities.

Seasons may come and seasons may change, but the crowds go on forever at the two drug stores of Board & McGuire, 1912 1/2 14th St. and 9th and You Sts. N. W. Two places

Announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Amos, announce their marriage, which took place in Alexandria, Va., on January 17, 1907. Mrs. Amos was formerly Miss Alberta B. Carrington. Mr. and Mrs. Amos will be at home to their friends after October 25, 1911, at Sagamore Hill, Oyster Bay, New York.

Hallowe'en Party.

One of the most unique entertainments will be the Hallowe'en party at Martin's Cafe Tuesday evening, October 31. The social circle should not fail to attend the entertainment. It is given for the benefit of the Social Settlement. Mesdames Tyler and Glenn are at the head.

WEST WASHINGTON NEWS.

Miss Mary Martin, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin, of Twenty-seventh Street Northwest, was married to Mr. George Smackum, Thursday, October 19, 1911, at 4 o'clock, at Holy Trinity Church. Mr. and Mrs. Smackum left for New York, where they will reside.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Butler was christened Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service at Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, by Rev. U. Leeper. The handsome loving cup presented by the Masonic brothers of the happy father to the baby, was used in the christening ceremony, and little Ottoway enjoyed the sprinkling.

The Ladies of the Heliotrope Circle and friends enjoyed a very pleasant evening last Friday at the residence of Mrs. Maggie Thomas, who entertained the guests present, who enjoyed an excellent luncheon served by the hostess. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. D. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crusor, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Smith, Miss Mary Simms, Miss M. Morgan, Mrs. L. G. Williams, Mrs. A. Boyd, Mrs. A. Harris, Mrs. E. Holt, Mrs. L. Palmer, Mr. Samuel Howard, Mrs. H. Morgan, and Jas. L. Turner.

Among the Churches.

The members and friends of the First Baptist Church are rejoicing at

the reduction in their church debt, which was \$7,000 a few years ago when the present pastor assumed charge of the congregation, and from the proceeds of the rally of last Sunday, amounting to \$850.00, the remaining obligation is about \$1,500.00. The calling of Rev. E. E. Ricks to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church has been wise, as is shown by the steady growth of the church, both financially and spiritually.

The Cosmo-Villa of Unique, social, musical and inspirational opening at Mt. Zion M. E. Church, was more than delightful to the many guests attending these festivities; during the week beautiful booths have been erected for the occasion, and it is hoped that the management of the festivities will continue another week. Miss Fannie Hayes is the chairman, Mrs. Phyllis Byrd secretary, Mr. H. S. Thompson treasurer. The above-named are assisted by a large committee of ladies and gentlemen. The proceeds are for the purchasing of a piano for the Sunday School.

Memorial to the Late Justice John Marshall Harlan.

The Evangelical Ministers' Alliance of Washington and vicinity, after their regular meeting held Monday morning at 11 o'clock, at the First Baptist Church, Dumbarton Avenue Northwest, Rev. E. E. Ricks pastor, memorial services in honor of the late Associate Justice John Marshall Harlan were held. Addresses were delivered by R. I. N. Ross, representing the ministry; Dr. John R. Francis, Sr., Hon. Whitefield McKinlay, Collector of Customs at Georgetown, D. C.; Bishop I. B. Scott, of the M. E. Church, Rev. J. M. Waldron, Rev. S. L. Corrothers, Rev. Walter J. Brooks. Among those present were Rev. D. W. Hayes, Rev. U. S. Leeper, Rev. M. W. Clair, Rev. Wm. J. Howard, and Henry W. Hewlett, Silas Richards, Jas. L. Turner, J. M. Williams. The eulogists each spoke in glowing terms of the deceased and his many decisions for the race, in which he was always right, and in the death of such a grand and noble character the race had lost one of its best friends. Rev. O. L. Mitchell presided, and Rev. R. K. Harris acted as secretary. At the close of the exercises Rev. Ricks invited the ministers and friends to a luncheon, which had been prepared by the deacons of the church. This act of hospitality is one of the many characteristics of this most benevolent congregation, of which the luncheon was heartily enjoyed and appreciated.

Song Service at St. Luke's P. E. Church.

The incessant rain last Sunday evening prevented a liberal attendance at the song service given by the choir of St. Luke's Church. Those who braved the storm, however, enjoyed an attractive program. The following selections, other than the processional and recessional hymns were rendered:

Anthem, "By the Waters of Babylon," Taylor—Choir.

"A Song of Confidence," baritone—Mr. Jas. B. Lomack.

"Organ Voluntary"—Miss Lulu Howe.

Solo, "The Almighty," Schubert—Mrs. A. H. Lee, of Baltimore, Md.

Instrumental Solo (a) "Angelus," Wallace; (b) "Flowers and Ferns," Keiser—Mr. Jno. R. Adams.

Mrs. Lee is a soprano of great merit, possessing a voice of remarkable compass and range. She has charge of the choir of Sharp Street M. E. Church, Baltimore, which is said to be a very superior one.

The "Paper Reception" given by the Woman's Guild of St. Luke's P. E. Church on Friday evening last, at Odd Fellows' Hall, is said to have been one of the most enjoyable entertainments ever given in this District, public or private. The "smart young set," representatives of our best families were out in large numbers. Hamilton never played better. The menu was unsurpassed.

FAIRMOUNT HEIGHTS NEWS.

Hon. R. N. Ryan, clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George County, Maryland, was at the Town Hall here Wednesday night, October 18, and took the declaration of intention of many to become citizens of the State of Maryland. There were present also Hon. George M. Bond, chairman and treasurer of the county campaign committee of the Republican party, and made many suggestions helpful to the situation. Friday evening, November 3, will be the crowning event of the campaign. All the candidates and many prominent speakers will be here.

The Fairmount Heights school has an average attendance of fifty pupils. The teachers, Mrs. J. G. Morton and Miss Justine White, are using their energies to build up the school. The trustees and patrons of the school are commending themselves upon their success in securing such excellent teachers. When the new school is completed and pressed into use, two more teachers will be required. Then the Fairmount Heights school will be the banner school in the county.

Mr. James F. Armstrong, Mr. Robt. S. Nichols, Mr. Walter S. Creuse, the school trustees, and friends of public education, are determined to build up a first-class public school for the people in Fairmount Heights, North Fairmount Heights, Cedar Heights, West Fairmount Heights and the Eighteenth Election District. The citizens living in the communities mentioned above should come to realize that any man or set men who will spend their time, energy and money in bettering the condition of the rising generation, and doing all they can to provide schools for their neighbors' children, are the friends, and the friends of the community. These men should have, and eventually will have, the united support of the parents and guardians, as well as the united support of the whole community.

Hon. H. C. Shober, auditor of the Treasury, for the Interior Department, has shown himself to be a fine representative of him who doeth all things well. Justice and fair treat-

ment to the employees of his bureau, may be seen in all his official acts. Mr. A. F. Hilyer, Prof. Chas. G. Harris, and Rev. R. A. Hart have received substantial promotions since his appointment to the office of auditor for the Interior Department, a few months ago.

The First Presbyterian Church, in special session Sunday, October 21, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mr. Thos. U. Broom, elder; Mr. Chas. T. Mitchell, superintendent of Sunday school; Mrs. Addie B. Muller, assistant superintendent of Sunday school, and Mrs. M. Hargrove, church clerk.

Mrs. W. H. Addison, who has been spending several months with relatives and friends in West Virginia, returned home last Sunday, and worshipped at the M. E. Church.

Mr. W. H. Addison, a highly respectable citizen, a trustee of the Fairmount Heights M. E. Church, first vice president of the Epworth League and leader of the choir of said church, has decided to conduct a vocal music class. The class holds its sessions on Tuesday and Friday nights of each week.

Independent Order of St. Luke.

Twelve councils of the Independent order of St. Luke held a public meeting at Simpson's Memorial Church last Sunday afternoon. Music being rendered by the church choir, Mrs. A. V. Chase, leader. Mrs. Bessie B. Anderson, district deputy of the order, presided and gave a glowing account of the work of the order in this city. Rev. W. S. Jackson followed with an able address, replete with hearty welcome, which was responded to by Miss Mattie R. Bowen. Rev. A. C. Garner conducted the devotional exercises. The musical part of the program was most excellent. There was a large attendance, and the entire exercises seemed to have been greatly enjoyed. The following-named persons assisted in the literary, musical and oratorical work, which will long be remembered for its high quality of excellence: Mr. H. E. Barnett, of Hughes Council; Miss Beatriz L. Chase, of Cedar of Lebanon Council; Mrs. Mary J. Smith, of Josephine Council; Mrs. Eva Height, of Plymouth Council; Mrs. G. L. Waits, of Brooks Council; Mr. Wm. Ballard, of Majola Council; Mrs. Mary E. Brown, of E. B. Walker Council; Serg. John Buck, of Military Council; Miss Julia Collier, of Julia Celestia Council; Mr. Frank Johnson, of Plymouth Council; Mrs. Mamie Hall, of Beatrice Council.

Next Sunday afternoon the order will hold a similar public meeting at Garfield, D. C. A. M. E. Church, Rev. W. D. Naylor, pastor.

SOUTHWEST.

Mr. J. S. Jones has moved to 944 T Street Northwest. He has purchased a handsome home.

The Misses La Brandt are very enterprising young ladies.

Mr. James A. Holmes has made some improvements in his hotel. He is one of the most enterprising citizens in this section.

Prof. J. T. Newman, director of the Metropolitan choir, has improved his choir greatly. He is a competent musical director.

The Ray Circle will have special services tomorrow. Rev. Lewis B. Moore will preach at 11 A. M. and 3:30 P. M. the singing school has prepared a special program. Miss Nettie Murray, Miss E. Lancaster and Mr. Geo. Battle will be the special attractions. In the evening Rev. Ray will preach his annual sermon. Miss Ethel Stokes will sing a solo.

Miss Effie Middleton is president of the Ray Circle, which is the most popular church organization in this section.

Rev. W. J. Howard had a large turnout last Sunday.

The latest rumor is that Dr. Geo. H. Murray, whom everybody loves, will soon become a benedict.

Dr. L. H. Harris and wife gave a tea last week to a few friends. These two well-known druggists are good entertainers.

Mr. Middleton, at 338 C Street Southwest, continues ill.

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"Religion in the Home" was the theme of the powerful sermon last Sunday morning. The speaker gave a graphic picture of the training of the children by the mothers of this day and time, and the mothers of the days of yore. "Prayer in the home, as taught by our forefathers and mothers, have about become a thing of the past," said the speaker, "and unless we keep in touch with God in prayer it is needless to expect His blessings to rest upon us forever," etc., etc.

Despite the inclemency of the weather a large congregation greeted the speaker at night. Bishop A. Walters is expected to fill the pulpit at Galbraith tomorrow morning at 11:30. Come early, and hear this matchless pulpit orator.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22.

- 9:30 A. M.—Sunday school.
11 A. M.—Sermon, Bishop I. B. Scott, D. D., L.L. D., Monrovia, Africa.
7:45 P. M.—Sermon, Rev. Wm. R. A. Palmer, D. D., Newark, N. J.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. C. F. SPRAGUE—
Sermon, Rev. Robt. F. Coates, Woodville, Md.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. C. H. HARRIS—
Sermon, Rev. E. B. Gordan, Walker Memorial Baptist Church, City.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. MATILDA PAYNE—
Sermon, Rev. G. M. Oliver, A. M. Union Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, City.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. MARTHA BIAS—
Sermon, Rev. S. H. Brown, D. D., Ebenezer M. E. Church, City.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. ELIZABETH BENSON—
Sermon, Rev. Geo. A. Davis, Nash Memorial M. E. Church, City.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29.

- 9:30 A. M.—Sunday school.
11 A. M.—The Anniversary Sermon, Rev. N. M. Carroll, D. D., Pastor, Asbury M. E. Church, Annapolis, Md.
7:45 P. M.—Sermon, Rev. W. A. C. Hughes, D. D., Pastor, Sharp Street Memorial M. E. Church, Baltimore, Md. Music by Sharp Street Choir.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. C. E. FULLER—
Sermon, Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D., Pastor, Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, City.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. ROBERT BEVERLY—
Sermon, Rev. D. W. Hayes, D. D., Pastor, Mt. Zion M. E. Church, City.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. ELIZABETH A. MARTIN—
Sermon, Rev. W. J. Tyler, Jones M. E. Church, Benning.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. KATIE HERBERT—
Sermon, Pastor.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. LILLIE GREEN—
Sermon, Rev. Alfred Young, Pastor Whatcoat M. E. Church, Baltimore, Md.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5.

- 9:30 A. M.—Sunday school.
11 A. M.—Sermon, Rev. E. W. S. Peck, D. D., Pastor St. Matthews M. E. Church, Baltimore, Md.
7:45 P. M.—The Lord's Supper.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. FLORENCE HALL—
Sermon, Rev. A. C. Garner, D. D., Pastor Plymouth Congregational Church, City.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. CHARLOTTE LANHAN—
Sermon, Rev. T. P. Thomas, Pastor, Central M. E. Church, City.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. FRANCES UNDERDUE—
Sermon, Rev. V. L. Bailey, Pastor Hillsdale C. M. E. Church, Anacostia.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. ALICE M. CARROLL—
Sermon, Rev. C. S. Briggs, A. B., Pastor, Robert Chapel M. E. Church, Alexandria, Va.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. R. H. MAHONEY—
Sermon, Rev. S. N. Brown, D. D., Pastor Lincoln Temple, City.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12.

- 9:30 A. M.—Sunday school.
11 A. M.—Sermon, Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D., Pastor St. Mark's M. E. Church, New York City.
7:45 P. M.—Special sermon to Odd Fellows.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. BESSIE FOSQUE—
Sermon, Rev. W. S. Jackson, Pastor, Simpson Memorial M. E. Church, City.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. HATTIE SMALLWOOD—
Sermon, Rev. W. R. Wedderspoon, D. D., Pastor Foundry M. E. Church, City.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. REBECCA BINES—
Sermon, Rev. J. M. Waldron, D. D., Pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. SARA A. TYLER—
Sermon, Rev. R. Kent Harris, D. D., Pastor, Israel C. M. E. Church, City.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 8:15 P. M.

CAPT. IDA BELL—
Sermon, Rev. W. A. Ray, D. D., Pastor, Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion Church, City.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19.

- 9:30 A. M.—Sunday school.
11 A. M.—Sermon, Rev. J. W. E. Bowen, Ph.D., D. D., Gammon Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.
3:30 P. M.—Children's Hour. Special program.
7:45 P. M.—Sermon, Rev. E. S. Williams, D. D., District Superintendent.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 8:15 P. M.

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The principle established by Senator Penrose in this appointment is in line with the policy of President Taft, who appointed William H. Lewis, a colored lawyer, of Boston, to be Assistant Attorney General of the United States. This appointment was long since confirmed, and Mr. Lewis has been elected to the American Bar Association. Mr. Waring lives at 2024 Catharine Street, in the Thirtieth Ward. The

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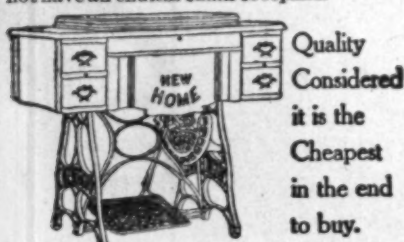
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LONDON'S HISTORIC TOWER.

And the Poisoned Egg From Which Was Hatched the Great Charter.

Richard Davey in "The Tower of London" connects the historic edifice with the wresting of the great charter from King John.

King John, it would seem, though legally married to Isabella of Angoulême, fell desperately in love in 1214 with "Matilda" or "Maud," "the Fair," the beautiful daughter of Robert, Lord Fitzwalter. This lady, remaining deaf to his entreaties, was treacherously abducted from her father's seat at Dunmow by the king's order and shut up in the round turret of the White tower. On this Fitzwalter made a vain attempt to rouse the people to revolt, but was forced to fly to France with his wife and remaining children. Maud once safe in the tower, King John renewed his suit, but only succeeded in driving her to utter silence, which so infuriated him that he sent her a poisoned egg for her breakfast, and she died early in 1215. A year later her remains were translated to the family vault at Dunmow.

When the news of this crafty murder came to the ears of Fitzwalter he forthwith returned to England and discovered to his joy that the barons were on the point of declaring war against John. He at once placed himself at their head, hoping, it is said, to combine his personal revenge with his duty as an English peer and is indeed supposed to have forced the king to sign the great charter for the express purpose of humiliating his daughter's murderer. Thus from an egg was hatched the great charter. Whether the story be true or false, it is a certified historical fact that the barons held the tower in pledge till John consented to accept the charter and affixed his reluctant signature to the deed.

About a year later, when the war with the barons was at its height and John once more a power, the tower again fell into his hands, and though the barons laid siege to it, they were repulsed by the king's men. To complete its strange vicissitudes during this strenuous reign the tower became on Nov. 1, 1215, the temporary court of King Louis of France, whom the rebellious barons had summoned to assist in the adjustment of their grievances. Appearing before the gates with a large body of men, he so completely awed the officials that they handed over the keys without striking a blow for their rightful monarch.

FREAKS OF A RIVER.

A Stream So Crooked That It Double Crosses Itself.

There is a stream in Massachusetts called the North river. It starts in a pond near Hanson and runs to the sea at Scituate. It is ten miles by air line from Hanson to Scituate, and the river is forty miles long.

This river is probably the most remarkable body of water, barring the Dead sea, on this footstool and has stood more abuse and bad language than the Chicago river. When the tide is coming in the river runs upstream, and not only that, but the upper part of it, which is fresh water, also runs up, and the spectacle of a fresh water river beating it uphill is alone enough to call attention to itself. But there is much more to it than that.

The North river is noted for being the scene of the last Indian raid on the coast settlements. It is notable for having given birth to the ship Columbia, whose captain discovered and named the Columbia river, and was the first American vessel to circumnavigate the world. It is notorious for having suddenly changed its mind on its course on the night of Nov. 27, 1808, when it moved its mouth three miles to the northward, presented the town of Marshfield with a deep harbor, killed three men and converted about 200,000 acres of prime meadow land into a salt marsh.

But the chief thing about this river is its crookedness. This river is so crooked that it double crosses itself. If you don't believe it go and see. There is one place in Hanover where by making three loops the river moves toward the sea for a distance of almost fifty feet and meanders about for fifteen miles in doing it.—Boston Traveler.

The Open Fire.

The open fire is a primitive, elemental thing. It cheers with more than mere heat; it is a bit of the red heart of nature laid bare; it is a dragon of the prince docile and friendly there in the corner. What pictures, what activity, how social, how it keeps up the talk! You are not permitted to forget it for a moment. How it rejoices when you feed it! Why, an open fire in your room is a whole literature. It supplements your library as nothing else in the room does or can.—John Burroughs in Country Life in America.

Out or In.

"What's that noise?" asked the visitor in the apartment house. "Probably some one in the dentist's apartments on the floor below getting a tooth out." "But this seemed to come from the floor above." "Ah, then it's probably the Popleys' baby getting a tooth in!"—Catholic Standard and Times.

Made It Lean.

Teacher—Now, Harold, can you tell me what made the tower of Pisa lean? Harold—I guess there must have been a famine in the land.—Exchange.

The best of us lack more'n wings to be angels.—Thomas B. Aldrich.

LINCOLN'S QUESTION.

It Stilled the Storm of Applause For His Opponent, Stephen Douglas.

Professor James T. McLeary of Mankato, Minn., who for fourteen years represented a district of his state in congress, told this Lincoln story:

"A friend of mine told me that when a boy he attended with his father one of the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates in Illinois. My friend's father was a Lincoln man, but the place in which that particular debate took place was a Douglas stronghold.

"Douglas spoke first, and he was frequently interrupted by vociferous applause. The cheering and the hand-clapping at the end lasted four or five minutes. When Lincoln was introduced the crowd broke out into cheers for Douglas and kept it up for several minutes. Lincoln meanwhile waited patiently.

"When at length the enthusiasm had subsided Lincoln extended his long right arm for silence. When he had partly got this he said in an impressive tone, 'What an orator Judge Douglas is!'

"This unexpected tribute to their friend set the audience wild with enthusiasm. When this applause had run its course Lincoln, extending his hand again, this time obtained silence more easily.

"What a fine presence Judge Douglas has!" exclaimed the speaker earnestly. Again tumultuous applause followed the tribute.

"How well rounded his sentences are! How well chosen his language is! How apt his illustrations are!" ending up with, 'What a splendid man Judge Douglas is!'

"Then when the audience had again become silent at his call Lincoln leaned forward and said:

"And now, my countrymen, how many of you can tell me one thing Judge Douglas said?"

"My friend told me he searched his own heart for an answer and found none. Afterward he asked his father if he could remember anything Judge Douglas had said, and the latter remembered practically nothing. 'But,' my friend said to me impressively, 'even now, half a century later, I can recall practically all that Lincoln said.'—Exchange.

THE USE OF ARSENIC.

How the Poison Acts When Taken as a Complexion Beautifier.

"You no doubt have observed the illly white complexion of some women. These women are sacrificing years of their lives for that beautiful skin by the use of arsenic," said a chemist of Manchester, England.

"It is a well known fact that thousands of women in all countries of the world use the poison in small quantities to bleach their skin. It is an effective means of whitening and clearing the complexion, but the complexion given by its use has no permanency unless the absorption of the drug be continued.

"Arsenic, as science has long told us, is an accumulative poison. When one takes it either by prescription for the upbuilding of an appetite or for the bleaching of the skin he does not feel any ill effects for several years. The effect of the drug is bracing and makes a person feel like eating. It also aids the digestion. The average user of the poison takes it in such small quantities that he does not realize how much of it will accumulate in his system in the course of four or five years. "Being an accumulative poison, it often takes that length of time to see the results of the drug. Then the user may complain of not being able to control his fingers or toes. Subsequently he loses control of his hands and arms. Paralysis, superinduced by arsenical poisoning, is the fearful result.—Washington Post.

That Was Enough.

They were talking about the nosey women who knew everybody in the middle of the block.

"Apparently she's got it in for those people who moved away from 35 last week," said he. "What did they do to her?"

"Nothing," said she, "except to borrow her opera glasses the day before they moved and keep them till the day after, so she couldn't get a chance to train them on their back room furniture."—New York Times.

What Damp Means.

Learn to know what damp means, especially when used upon polished woodwork. Think it means wet and you will be reviling valuable information as "newspaper rubbish." Dip a cloth in hot water, wring it as hard as you can, then shake it in the air and it should have about the right amount of moisture.—Exchange.

The Missing Word.

A "new missing" word contest has just appeared. It is as follows: A good church deacon sat down on the pointed end of a tack. He at once sprang up and said only two words. The last was "it." Any one guessing the first word and sending a dollar in cash will be entitled to this periodical for one year.—Lippincott's.

The Silver Lining.

"Oh, John," exclaimed Mrs. Shortcash, who was reading a letter, "our son has been expelled from college. Isn't it awful?"

"Oh, I don't know," answered Mr. Shortcash. "Perhaps I can pull through without making an assignment now."—Chicago News.

NEXT DOOR'S FRUIT TREE.

The One Whose Branches, Usually Heavily Laden, Extend Over the Fence Into Your Yard.

The next door fruit tree, growing so near the line that laden branches extend over the fence, has proved a source of untold spankings to the small boy, quarrels between otherwise good neighbors and even resort to the police courts. One is inclined to suspect that the original apple tree of trouble hung over a neighbor's fence.

The cause of friction is, of course, the question of the ownership of or at least the right to take and use the fruit on the too widely spread branches. Generally this fruit is claimed by the person whose property is thus invaded, but if he asserts this claim to the point of gathering the fruit without permission he may feel the iron hand of the law, says Harper's Weekly. If he objects to the presence of the branches which extend over his property the owner of the tree must remove them. But if the owner of the tree applies for the fruit or asks permission to enter and take it the owner of the land over which the branches extend cannot refuse permission for entry for this purpose. If he refuses either to hand over the fruit or to allow the owner of the tree to enter and take it, then the owner of the tree may enter without permission, but he must use no force nor commit any damage in so entering.

Certainly the most neighborly thing to do would be to divide that fruit.

INDEXING BOOKS.

The Custom Is an Old One That Developed Rather Slowly.

The custom of indexing books developed gradually. Cicero used the word "index," but in the sense of a table of contents. Seneca provided some works which he sent to a friend with notes of particular passages, "so that he who only aimed at the useful might be spared the trouble of examining them entire." This was at least a partial "index" in the modern sense. Annotated, or at least explanatory, tables of contents seem to have preceded the index proper.

Such tables followed the order of appearance of the subjects in the book itself. Alphabetical arrangement, which was the beginning of the real index, appears not to have been thought of until the invention of printing, and even then it spread but slowly. Erasmus was one of the first to provide his works with alphabetical indexes. The custom did not become universal until well into the sixteenth century.

The first index to an English book is said to be that printed in Polydore Vergil's "Angliae Historiae," in 1546. An edition of this work published ten years later has an index of thirty-seven pages.

Stories of Wellington and Blucher.

I once met Wellington at dinner. He was then much aged, talked gravely and with great distinctness, ate but little, drank no wine and left early. He was a member of the Union club when I joined it, and I have heard a story that he became a member of Crookford's, the famous gambling resort, that he might blackball his sons if they became candidates.

I remember the touching anecdote of how he and that old Prussian warrior Blucher met upon the field of Waterloo and mingled their tears over the bodies of their slain. The well known and much more probable story is told of Blucher that, having been entertained at a city dinner and thoroughly enjoying its gorgeous hospitality, he delighted his hosts by his admiration of London, concluding, however, with the startling exclamation, "What a splendid city it would be to sack!"—From Sergeant Ballantine's Experiences.

"I Don't Think."

Many correspondents have traced "I don't think" through many writers and speakers. But this writer, who has the habit of reading the Bible in bed the last thing at night, suddenly came upon the seventeenth chapter of St. Luke and the parable of the servant who merely did his duty: "Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not." Now, the Greek words are simply these in modern characters, "On doko," which mean just "I don't think." Anyhow we cannot get better authority for the use of the expression which Christ employed in one of those lightning sketches he threw out as he walked and talked.—London Chronicle.

Tolstoy's Thoughts on Death.

The fear of death is unnatural. The fear of death is the consciousness of sin.

The fear of death emanates from the fact that people regard as life only a small part of it, limited by their own erroneous conception. Just as the owner of the fig tree knows the time when the fruit is ripe, so God knows when to call the righteous from this world.

Strive to keep your life at a point where you neither fear death nor desire it.—Tolstoy's "Cycle of Readings."

The Helpful Waiter.

Contemptuous Waiter (who can stand it no longer)—Excuse me, sir; you don't seem liable to get all that soup hup with your spoon. Shall I get you a piece of blotting paper?—London Tit-Bits.

Not His Style.

"I thought you said the colt could win in a walk?" "Well, they went and entered him in a running race."—Washington Herald.

OLD LONDON LEGEND.

The Tragedy Associated With the Church That Stands in the "Field of Forty Footsteps."

The church in Woburn square, London, is said to occupy the site of the "Field of Forty Footsteps," to which a tragic legend attaches. The story dates from the days of Monmouth's rebellion. According to the version given in Mr. J. S. Ogilvy's "Relics and Memorials of London Town," two brothers fell in love with a woman who, either from callous vanity or fearing reprisals from the unsuccessful suitor, would not say which was to be the favored swain, suggesting that they should fight a duel and to the victor she would give her charms. They came from the town to this suburban field. The woman calmly sat down to await events. She had not long to wait, judging from the number of footprints, when one of the brothers fell dead, and as the victor approached she held out her arms to greet him, when, with a sudden revulsion of feeling for his brother's death, he slew her as she stood, and, turning the weapon, he drove it through his own heart. So they were found stiff in death with the footprints stamped in the wet clay, where they remained indelible through summer heat and winter frost; no green thing would grow, nor any man build himself a dwelling there. Streets were erected all round, but it was not until the nineteenth century that men took heart of grace and built a church there, when the consecration of the ground rolled back the curse and the memory of the legend grew faint and faded away.

DOWN THE BACK OF HIS HEAD

A Parting of the Hair From Which We've Partly Parted.

What has become of our well known fellow townsman that used to brush his hair two ways from a line extending from crown to collar and swing the ends over his ears? He was a leading citizen. He sat in the next pew in front at church and always attended the shows. He worked in a bank in St. Louis and was mate on one of the Mississippi river steamboats. He was a doorwalker in a New York dry goods store and kept a saloon just off the main street. Usually he wore a cluster of diamonds with a little chain attached in his shirt front. He was a conductor on the day express, a Mason and an Odd Fellow. He practiced medicine and worked in the boot and shoe store. He had been to California and played cards for money.

Well, he's still in town, although greatly changed. It was all the barber's fault. When he was in his prime and known to everybody the barber used to trim him. Later he began to cut it. It wasn't long before our well known fellow citizen was nipped by the shears, his locks curled on the calico pinned around his neck and rolled to the floor, and there wasn't anything to part. When the barber's ruthless shears cut their way to the very scalp they killed a famous pomade customer, for the man that parted his hair behind always stood (or sat) for the things in the bottles which cost 10 cents extra.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Compliment For Him.

She was eighteen and very shy, and she never had been in the city before. There was no one at Broad street station to meet her, and she looked about timidly for a cab. Her mother had told her to take a hansom. She did not see any hansom, nor did she know that the "cabbies" wore a livery all their own. She did not see a policeman either, so she approached a youth who was standing on the corner of Fifteenth street with her bashful question.

"Please," she began, "are you a hansom man?"

The youth raised his head and twirled his mustache ingratiatingly, smiling with deprecating assumption of modesty.

"I am so considered," he replied.—Philadelphia Times.

Hunger From the Liver.

Hunger, appetite, does not start from the stomach, as all believe and as you all feel when hungered, but the call for food really comes from the flesh of the whole body, mostly from the liver, it seems, for people who have had to have their stomachs taken entirely from their body still have the absent old stomach growl and yell three times a day for meals, something like people having finger pains and pleasures in a hand that has been cut off for years.—New York Press.

A Stone's Throw.

The ancient Romans had a catapult that could hurl rocks more than a mile.

"Now I understand it."

"What?"

"My landlord told me this house was a stone's throw from the depot. He must have had it on his hands since the time of the Caesars."—Cleveland Leader.

Cleverness and Cunning.

Cleverness and cunning are incompatible. I never saw them united. The latter is the resource of the weak and is only natural to them. Children and fools are always cunning, but clever people never.—Byron.

A Money Maker.

Smith—He is not rich, and yet he makes a great deal more money than he spends. Jones—How can that be? Smith—He works in the mint.—New York American.

The first years of man must make provision for the last.—Johnson.

LEGAL NOTICES.

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This is to give notice that the subscriber, of the District of Columbia, has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, Letters Testamentary on the estate of John H. Burruss, late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers therefor, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 16th day of October, A. D. 1912; otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

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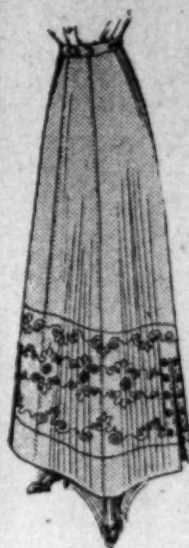
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M Street High School girls are going in for indoor baseball and basketball with a vim. Under the direction of Miss A. J. Turner and Miss J. E. Davis, competitive games are to be a feature of the work of physical training this winter. Girls have a natural fondness for games and co-operative efforts. A team play can well be grasped by them. Every Wednesday afternoon girls inter-class indoor baseball games and basketball games will be played in the school gymnasium.

The site for the new M Street High School, fronting 400 feet on First Street, 105 feet on N Street, and 204 feet on O Street, is now being used as an athletic field, pending the erection of a new high school. Permission for this use was granted by Captain Oyster, Dr. Davidson, Mr. Bruce and Captain Markham. The field is in close proximity to M Street High School, and will be used by boys of Jones, Douglass, Abby Simmons, Banneker, Cook, Slater and Langston schools for athletic training. The western half of this square should be given consideration in future estimates for playground purchase. It is ideally situated for playground or athletic field purposes by the colored high schools and seven elementary schools located within a half mile radius and no dwellings are now erected thereupon.

Soccer football promises to be an interesting feature of athletic life at the colored high schools this season. Three class teams at M Street High and Armstrong and two at Business have been formed. These will play an inter-class series, after which the best players will be formed in association teams and a series of games will be played under the high school games committee of the P. S. A. L.

Splendid form is being shown by those players who learned the rudiments of the game within the past two years, and a wide spread interest is evidenced by all. Without doubt it is more widely liked by the great mass of boys whose weight and strength is not of inter-collegiate football calibre. The game is essentially a kicking game, which produces great skill in foot-work, and yet body checking and dodging form a great part of soccer. It took three days of a world series attendance to equal a one-day crowd that turns out to witness one of the border games in Great Britain, and when once rooted, its popularity is assured. Practice takes place daily on the field which was purchased as a site for the new M Street High School and the Howard playground.

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